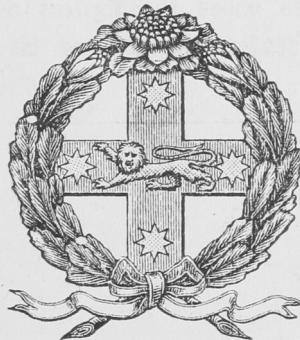


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MEMORANDA.

Trade.—The Oversea imports during August were valued at £4,214,401, and show an increase of £2,973,616, or over 239 per cent., as compared with the corresponding month of last year. The total for two months, July and August, 1918, was £6,843,838, an increase of £3,296,541, or over 92 per cent., in comparison with the corresponding period in 1917.

The Oversea exports during August amounted to £4,366,374, being an increase of £2,435,197, or over 126 per cent., as compared with the corresponding month of last year. For the two months, July and August, 1918, there was an increase of £1,927,080, or over 37 per cent. compared with the same period for 1917.

Imports at Sydney.—Excluding the value of the imports from State ports, the articles imported at the port of Sydney, in July were valued at £5,869,699. The following is a summary of the imports during the month:—

	...	...	...	...	Weight and Measurement.	Value. £
					tons.	
Imports Oversea	...	...	...	...	94,437	4,125,388
„ Interstate	...	...	...	...	50,846	1,744,311
„ From State ports	...	...	...	...	125,353	Not available.
Transhipments—						
Oversea...	...	...	...	...	25,436	„
Interstate	...	...	...	...	19,628	„
To State ports	...	...	...	...	6,105	„

A few special articles, denoted by number in the detailed table within, have been converted into weight or measurement, and are included in the above statement. During the two months ended August, 1918, the Oversea imports were valued at £6,723,627, and the Interstate imports at £3,826,818, the total of the two being £10,550,445.

Public Finances.—The Public Accounts for August show that the net revenue for the month was £1,687,648, or £434,119 more than in August of last year—an increase of 34·6 per cent. During the two months ended 31st August, the revenue was £3,315,273, being £704,226, or nearly 27 per cent. more than the corresponding period of the last financial year.

Principal increases during the two months were—	£
From Commonwealth Returns	2,604
Taxation	44,430
Railways and Tramways	611,673
Sydney Harbour Trust	18,953
Water and Sewerage Rates	13,728

Principal decreases during the same period were—	
From Country Towns W.S. and S. Interest	3,401
Public Lands	8,627

The expenditure during August was £1,720,427, an increase of £88,069, or 5·4 per cent., as compared with August of last year. During the two months ended 31st August, the expenditure was £3,452,777, being £163,359, or nearly 5 per cent. more than in 1917-18.

Principal increases during the two months were—					£
Government Departments	...	...	...	...	63,456
Business Undertakings	...	...	...	...	92,622
Interest	...	...	...	...	7,281

On the 31st August, 1918, the Consolidated Revenue Account was in debit to the amount of £723,717.

Savings Banks.—The latest returns show that at the 30th June, 1918, there were 920,337 depositors, having £43,039,012 on deposit. This shows an increase of £2,202,265 in deposits during the year. The average amount on deposit was nearly £47 per depositor and over £22 per inhabitant.

Gold Production—The gold yield during August, 1918, was 5,270 oz. crude, equal to 4,978 oz. fine, valued at £21,143, and showed an increase of 102 oz. fine, and £433 in value, compared with August of last year. The value of the gold produced during the eight months was £236,071, and showed an increase of 426 oz. fine, and £1,810 in value, in the figures for the corresponding period of last year.

Cost of Living, Sydney.—From the information collected each month (see Table 56) as to the retail prices in Sydney of food and groceries, it appears that in August, 1918, prices were 31·1 per cent. higher than in July, 1914; 5·1 per cent. lower than in August, 1917; and 2·5 per cent. lower than in the preceding month, July, 1918.

Meat, which is included in the results quoted above, shows prices in August, 1918, 47·1 per cent. higher than in July, 1914; 19·5 per cent. cheaper than in August, 1917; and 8·5 per cent. lower than in July, 1918.

The following is a statement of the price levels since July, 1914, the levels for which were taken as base, and called 100:—

Month.	Meat.	Other Food and Groceries.	Meat, other Food and Groceries combined.
July, 1914	100	100	100
August ,	98·9	100·1	99·7
," 1915	178·9	125·2	139·1
," 1916	166·1	119·6	131·6
," 1917	182·7	122·6	138·1
March 1918	170·5	124·2	136·2
April ,	165·5	124·6	135·2
May ,	163·2	126·8	136·2
June ,	161·3	125·9	135·1
July ,	160·7	125·2	134·3
August ,	147·1	125·4	131·1

The notable decrease in the price of meat was the result of the fixing of maximum prices by the Commonwealth Government.

Increased prices ruled for potatoes, tea, and jam, while bacon, ham, oatmeal, and eggs declined in price.

Meteorology.—During August good rains, mostly of a tropical nature, were recorded, so that the general average was exceeded over practically the whole of the State. A number of unimportant centres, including the Blue Mountains, and parts of the coastal districts, Western Division and Southern Tableland, were below normal, but the beneficial character of the rain generally received, which was associated with mild to warm temperatures, may be gauged from the records of the North West plain, North West, Central West, and South West slopes and Central Tableland, where the total falls ranged from $2\frac{1}{2}$ to 6 inches. Snow was reported from a few places on the Southern Tableland during the month, and hail occurred at isolated places; periods of squally southerly winds were experienced, principally on the North Coast.

Vital Statistics—Sydney and Suburbs—August, 1918.—The births registered numbered 1,682, equal to 25.97 per 1,000 of population per annum; of the total, 850 were males and 832 females. The rate is 9.7 per cent. below the average of the previous five years.

The deaths numbered 690, namely, 338 males and 352 females. The mortality rate of 10.65 per 1,000 of population per annum, is 8.3 per cent below the average of the previous five years. The deaths were below the average in all age-groups.

The infantile mortality was 60.6 per 1,000 births, and is 0.8 per cent. below the average for the month of August for the previous five years.

New Buildings—Metropolis.—According to returns supplied by the several Town Clerks, there were erected, in the Metropolitan area, during August, 447 new buildings, as compared with 351 in August, 1917.

The total for the eight months, January to August, was 3,389, as compared with 3,523 during the corresponding period of 1917.

Land Selections.—During August, 115 applications were made for 69,679 acres under the Crown Land Act; and 78,183 acres, representing 99 blocks, were gazetted for residential settlement, which includes areas set apart for returned soldiers. Since the beginning of the year the number of applications has been 665, and the area applied for 503,582 acres. The original area gazetted for residential settlement since the 1st January is 570,879 acres, representing 687 blocks.

Wheat areas, 1918.—See page 50.

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No. 1.—Population.

Year.	Estimated Population at end of Year.			Annual Increase.		Mean Population.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Numerical.	Per cent.	
1906	779,666	718,943	1,498,609	29,456	2'00	1,484,600
1907	795,635	736,345	1,531,980	33,371	2'23	1,517,990
1908	809,240	750,786	1,560,026	28,046	1'83	1,545,700
1909	829,329	767,356	1,596,685	36,659	2'35	1,577,290
1910	852,680	785,540	1,638,220	41,535	2'60	1,616,200
1911	889,391	809,345	1,698,736*	62,240*	3'80	1,664,500*
1912	935,979	842,983	1,778,962	80,226	4'72	1,738,600
1913	962,749	869,707	1,832,456	53,494	3'01	1,809,400
1914	967,033	894,995	1,862,028	29,572	1'61	1,853,400
1915	953,162	917,253	1,870,415	8,387	.45	1,868,200
1916	923,113	934,807	1,857,920	(-) 12,495	(-) .67	1,866,300
1917—31st March †	921,564	939,788	1,861,752	...	...	...
" 30th June †	921,566	945,890	1,867,456	...	...	...
" 30th September † ...	925,493	949,852	1,875,345	...	...	...

The population includes Aborigines of full-blood, viz., 2,012, of whom 1,152 are males and 860 females. (—) Denotes decrease.

* The population since 1st January, 1911, is exclusive of Federal Capital Area, the population of which at the Census on 2nd April was 1,724, of whom 997 were males and 727 females.

† These quotations are subject to alteration.

No. 2.—Marriages, Births, and Deaths.

Year.	Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	Annual Rate per 1,000 Population.			Infantile Mortality.
				Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	
1907	42,195	16,410	12,189	27'80	10'81	8'03	88'64
1908	42,525	16,090	12,642	27'51	10'41	8'18	75'79
1909	43,769	15,840	13,048	27'75	10'04	8'27	74'28
1910	45,533	16,191	14,294	28'17	10'02	8'85	74'60
1911	47,677	17,179	15,267	28'64	10'32	9'17	69'49
1912	51,993	18,886	16,664	29'90	10'86	9'58	71'30
1913	52,134	19,732	16,311	28'81	10'91	9'01	78'34
1914	53,615	18,777	17,353	28'93	10'13	9'36	69'72
1915	52,885	19,610	18,129	28'31	10'50	9'70	68'13
1916	52,075	19,854	16,320	27'90	10'64	8'74	67'84
1917	52,467	17,969	13,261	28'02	9'60	7'08	57'56
Jan. to June, 1918	24,967	8,496	6,783	...	...	...	57'26
" 1917	26,471	9,083	6,559	28'27	9'70	7'01	58'89
April to June, 1918	12,864	4,442	3,647	...	...	...	52'94
" 1917	13,235	4,577	3,421	28'27	9'78	7'31	54'02

No. 3.—Movement of Population.

Year.	Arrivals.						Departures.					
	By Sea.		By Land.		Total.	By Sea.		By Land.		Total.		
	Males.	Females	Males.	Females		Males.	Females	Males.	Females			
1906	50,257	29,208	75,352	38,518	193,335	47,797	27,624	75,658	38,773	189,852		
1907	65,684	35,441	93,152	47,061	241,338	59,731	31,017	95,323	47,681	233,752		
1908	66,156	35,433	94,885	48,685	245,159	60,474	33,047	99,282	50,745	243,548		
1909	69,330	36,980	96,069	48,130	250,509	59,729	32,775	98,878	50,397	241,779		
1910	72,421	39,104	108,870	54,821	275,216	62,093	34,421	109,941	56,568	263,023		
1911	92,269	49,398	132,988	65,470	340,125	71,308	39,987	130,745	66,343	308,383		
1912	106,187	57,601	147,629	73,980	385,397	81,722	43,288	141,032	72,236	338,278		
1913	92,925	53,824	156,536	77,905	381,190	81,087	44,097	156,695	78,219	360,098		
1914	91,413	51,730	167,833	89,183	400,159	98,626	47,311	172,769	86,719	405,425		
1915	70,586	39,512	181,874	94,081	386,053	104,215	36,979	177,764	91,983	410,941		
1916	58,913	36,198	197,954	105,076	398,141	112,469	36,652	189,561	104,175	442,857		
Jan. to Sept., 1917	37,398	21,801	127,008	72,552	258,759	49,739	20,140	124,976	72,938	267,793		
" 1916	46,833	28,907	141,207	77,926	294,873	83,236	27,905	141,100	77,116	329,357		
July to Sept., 1917	9,192	3,818	37,153	17,314	67,777	11,123	3,231	35,860	18,745	68,959		
" 1916	13,25	7,639	41,197	21,810	83,671	21,765	7,539	40,029	20,427	89,760		

No. 4.—Countries whence Immigrants arrived.

Year.	Other Australian States.		United Kingdom	New Zealand.	Other Countries.	Total.
	By Land.	By Sea.				
1906	113,870	48,294	5,641	16,525	9,005	193,335
1907	140,213	58,734	8,464	21,588	12,339	241,338
1908	143,570	56,582	10,537	20,612	13,858	245,159
1909	144,199	55,285	15,057	23,040	12,928	250,509
1910	163,691	58,146	16,537	22,410	14,432	275,216
1911	198,458	71,262	24,217	27,008	19,180	340,125
1912	221,609	75,872	36,925	26,696	24,295	385,397
1913	234,441	71,490	30,318	23,284	21,657	381,190
1914	257,016	75,875	19,936	25,290	22,042	400,159
1915	275,955	65,736	7,299	18,037	19,026	386,053
1916	303,030	55,423	2,721	15,065	21,902	398,141
Jan. to Sept., 1917	199,560	32,972	361	8,906	16,960	258,759
" 1916	219,133	44,271	2,345	12,212	16,912	294,873
July to Sept., 1917	54,467	5,780	10	1,717	5,803	67,777
" 1916	63,007	11,082	670	3,210	5,702	83,671

No. 5.—Countries for which Emigrants departed.

Year.	Other Australian States.		United Kingdom	New Zealand.	Other Countries.	Total.
	By Land.	By Sea.				
1906	114,431	45,060	4,789	15,994	9,578	189,852
1907	143,004	53,333	5,176	21,201	11,038	233,752
1908	150,027	51,590	7,467	22,141	12,323	243,548
1909	149,275	54,756	6,766	17,812	13,170	241,779
1910	166,509	56,722	7,834	17,247	14,711	263,023
1911	197,088	66,922	8,837	18,593	16,943	308,383
1912	213,268	71,179	11,647	19,691	22,493	338,278
1913	234,914	68,923	13,002	20,767	22,492	360,098
1914	259,488	71,875	15,426	23,213	35,423	405,425
1915	269,747	58,811	6,506	17,927	57,950	410,941
1916	293,736	51,624	3,522	15,902	78,073	442,857
Jan. to Sept., 1917	197,914	30,140	3,346	7,025	29,368	267,793
" 1916	218,216	40,223	3,280	11,734	55,904	329,357
July to Sept., 1917	54,605	4,042	911	1,375	8,026	68,959
" 1916	60,456	9,825	1,235	3,269	14,975	89,760

No. 6.—Population—Metropolis.

Year.	Estimated Population at end of Year.			Annual Increase.		Mean Population.
	Sydney (including Shipping).	Suburbs.	Total.	Numerical.	Per cent.	
1907	112,000	465,180	577,180	17,380	3.10	568,500
1908	112,900	479,200	592,100	14,920	2.58	584,700
1909	120,660	485,240	605,900	13,800	2.33	599,000
1910	119,800	502,430	622,230	10,330	2.70	614,100
1911	118,800	538,000	656,800	34,570	5.56	639,500
1912	116,400	578,400	694,800	38,000	5.79	675,800
1913	115,900	609,500	725,400	30,600	4.40	710,100
1914	110,700	641,800	752,500	27,100	3.74	741,200
1915	104,200	658,800	763,000	10,500	1.31	757,750
1916	106,000	658,600	764,600	1,600	0.21	763,800
1917	106,000	671,300	777,300	12,700	1.66	771,000

NOTE.—The population of Ku-ring-gai Shire (14,820 on 31st December, 1917) is included above as from 1st January, 1911.

No. 7.—Vital Statistics—Metropolis.

Year.	Births.	Deaths.		Marriages.	Annual Rate per 1,000 Population.			Infantile Mortality.
		Total.	Under one year.		Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	
1907	14,334	6,238	1,380	5,474	25.21	10.97	9.63	96.3
1908	14,861	6,036	1,229	5,974	25.42	10.32	10.22	82.7
1909	15,461	6,149	1,261	6,367	25.81	10.27	10.62	81.6
1910	16,204	6,365	1,329	6,931	26.39	10.36	11.29	82.0
1911	17,829	6,973	1,268	7,640	27.88	10.90	11.95	71.1
1912	20,140	7,681	1,530	8,923	29.80	11.37	13.20	76.0
1913	20,535	7,938	1,008	8,892	28.92	11.18	12.52	78.3
1914	20,821	7,603	1,452	9,479	28.09	10.26	12.79	69.7
1915	20,871	8,189	1,512	10,122	27.54	10.81	13.58	72.4
1916	20,856	8,156	1,428	9,009	27.31	10.66	11.80	68.5
1917	20,278	7,518	1,212	7,009	26.30	9.75	9.09	59.8
Jan.-Aug., 1918	13,080	5,061	804	.....	25.23	9.76	.....	61.5
" 1917	13,884	5,154	833	4,615	27.00	10.03	8.98	60.0
August, 1918	1,682	690	102	.....	25.97	10.65	...	60.6
" 1917	1,803	652	92	482	28.08	10.20	7.56	61.9

No. 8.—Health of the Metropolis—August, 1918.

In calculating the averages for previous five years, due allowance has been made for increase in population.

Particulars.	August, 1918.	Average of August, for previous five years.	Causes of Death.	August, 1918.	Average of August, for previous five years.
Births	1,682	1,863	Diseases of the Heart	85	78
Deaths	690	752	Pulmonary Diseases...	70	110
Illegitimate Births	116	127	Cancer	67	60
Deaths under 1	102	114	Developmental Diseases of Infants.	65	64
" 1-4	39	48	Bright's Disease (Acute and Chronic).	41	54
" 5-64	348	367	Hæmorrhage of the Brain, &c.	37	32
" 65 and over	201	223	Phthisis	34	42
Annual Rates per 1,000 of Population—			Senility	34	38
Births	25.97	28.77	Epidemic Diseases	32	35
Deaths	10.65	11.61	Accident	29	30
Illegitimate Births	5.79	1.96	Diarrhœa and Enteritis	17	17
Deaths under 1 per 1,000 Births	60.6	61.1			

No. 9.—Principal Causes of Death—Six Months, January to June—
1918 and 1917.

Causes of Death.	Sydney and Suburbs.					New South Wales.			
	1918.			1917.	Total.	1918.			1917.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Total.	
General Diseases—									
Typhoid Fever	17	8	25	15	45	23	68	70	
Measles	5	3	8	4	5	3	8	13	
Scarlet Fever	1	1	2	4	2	2	4	4	
Whooping-cough	1	4	5	23	20	27	47	112	
Diphtheria and Croup	28	35	63	49	65	75	140	180	
Influenza	4	5	9	9	17	17	34	26	
Dysentery	3	2	5	1	8	6	14	10	
Other Epidemic Diseases ...	2	2	4	13	3	5	8	28	
Purulent Infection, Septicæmia ...	7	3	10	5	14	7	21	33	
Tetanus	4	4	8	8	16	6	22	24	
Tuberculosis—Lungs	98	86	184	177	298	210	508	504	
Other Organs	16	19	35	25	46	33	79	68	
General	1	1	2	5	5	3	8	13	
Syphilis	5	2	7	25	12	9	21	32	
Cancer	218	191	409	410	442	357	799	776	
Rheumatism	5	10	15	18	14	36	50	53	
Diabetes	22	29	51	58	41	60	101	98	
Exophthalmic Goitre ... ... ...	...	9	9	10	...	11	11	14
Anæmia, Chlorosis	18	33	51	38	34	50	84	74	
Other General Diseases	30	16	46	42	63	28	91	104	
Local Diseases—									
Meningitis	17	12	29	34	62	34	96	126	
Diseases of Spinal Cord	21	6	27	33	76	29	105	65	
Hæmorrhage, &c., of Brain	61	80	141	150	183	167	350	351	
General Paralysis of Insane ...	29	2	31	23	39	3	42	35	
Convulsions of Infants	6	6	12	15	37	22	59	53	
Other Nervous Diseases ...	29	25	54	59	64	59	123	119	
Acute Endocarditis	8	13	21	22	21	25	46	41	
Organic Diseases of Heart ...	186	207	393	399	556	396	952	956	
Other Diseases Circulatory System	82	55	137	115	156	107	263	256	
Bronchitis	40	45	85	89	111	92	203	224	
Pneumonia, Broncho-pneumonia ...	104	74	178	195	257	154	411	429	
Other Diseases Respiratory System	26	25	51	67	79	52	131	153	
Diseases of Stomach	17	12	29	28	41	41	82	74	
Diarrhea and Enteritis (under 2)	109	72	181	207	226	158	384	452	
" (over 2) ...	28	25	53	58	78	58	136	166	
Appendicitis	16	10	26	30	36	34	70	59	
Hernia, Intestinal Obstruction ...	16	19	35	37	55	37	92	79	
Cirrhosis of Liver	17	13	30	43	45	24	69	64	
Other Diseases Digestive System ...	19	37	56	62	42	66	108	135	
Nephritis	113	82	195	278	251	146	397	492	
Other Diseases Urinary System ...	44	6	50	51	106	12	118	102	
Diseases of Genital Organs	15	15	21	...	36	36	36	34	
Puerperal Condition	62	62	65	...	119	119	172	172	
Diseases of Skin, &c.	5	12	17	11	19	26	45	39	
Diseases of Bones, &c.	5	2	7	7	13	7	20	12	
Congenital Malformations ...	27	25	52	37	65	47	112	90	
Diseases of Early Infancy ...	153	124	277	284	410	299	709	721	
Senility	68	70	138	181	256	207	463	582	
Violence—									
Suicide	28	5	33	41	77	11	88	88	
Accident	99	35	134	166	322	100	422	539	
Homicide	3	3	6	9	7	4	11	17	
Wounds in Battle	4	...	4	...	5	...	5	...	
Execution ... ... ...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	2
Not Classed (Open Verdict) ...	2	1	3	10	26	2	28	28	
Ill-defined Causes	0	8	17	10	57	26	83	80	
Total ...	...	1,876	1,651	3,527	3,778	4,928	3,568	8,496
Approximate Mean Annual Death-rate per 1,000 of Population—									
Sydney and Suburbs.									
1913-1917	10-20	..	..	..	..	..	10-13	..
1918	9-07	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
New South Wales.									

Approximate Mean Annual Death-rate per 1,000 of Population—
Sydney and Suburbs.

1913-1917 10-20 10-13

1918 9-07

No. 10.—Trade.

Year.	Imports.			Exports.		
	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.
1907	£ 18,595,804	£ 20,860,391	£ 39,456,195	£ 15,880,905	£ 32,894,073	£ 48,774,978
1908	£ 17,814,260	£ 19,828,486	£ 37,642,746	£ 14,105,050	£ 26,880,709	£ 40,985,759
1909	£ 17,146,943	£ 20,888,019	£ 38,034,962	£ 15,792,608	£ 26,044,789	£ 41,837,397
1910	£ *12,623,428	£ 23,238,993	£ †	£ *10,307,115	£ 32,035,451	£ †
1911	£ †	£ 27,343,428	£ †	£ †	£ 32,161,401	£ †
1912	£ †	£ 32,303,630	£ †	£ †	£ 32,958,529	£ †
1913	£ †	£ 32,350,663	£ †	£ †	£ 32,839,789	£ †
(Jan. to June)	1914	£ †	£ 16,677,336	£ †	£ 15,738,313	£ †
1914-15	£ †	£ 27,323,243	£ †	£ †	£ 28,107,025	£ †
1915-16	£ †	£ 33,379,698	£ †	£ †	£ 40,975,416	£ †
1916-17	£ †	£ 32,742,297	£ †	£ †	£ 42,068,333	£ †
1917-18	£ †	£ † 28,157,367	£ †	£ †	£ 36,935,576	£ †

* Information, 1st January to 13th September inclusive.

† Not available.

‡ Preliminary figures, subject to revision.

No. 11.—Trade Comparison—Oversea Imports—Monthly.

Month.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.	1917-18.	1918-19.	(+) Increase. (-) Decrease in 1918-19.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
July	£ 3,284,693	£ 2,814,485	£ 2,871,984	£ 2,306,512	£ 2,629,437	(+) 322,925
August	£ 2,919,146	£ 3,532,624	£ 3,254,124	£ 1,240,785	£ 4,214,401	(+) 2,973,616
Total (2 months)	£ 6,203,839	£ 6,347,109	£ 6,126,108	£ 3,547,297	£ 6,843,838	(+) 3,296,541

No. 12.—Trade Comparison—Oversea Exports—Monthly.

Month.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.	1917-18.	1918-19.	(+) Increase. (-) Decrease in 1918-19.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
July	£ 2,264,253	£ 3,915,380	£ 2,032,591	£ 3,238,098	£ 2,729,981	(-) 508,117
August	£ 1,141,257	£ 3,296,657	£ 3,458,771	£ 1,931,177	£ 4,366,374	(+) 2,435,197
Total (2 months)	£ 3,405,510	£ 7,212,037	£ 5,491,362	£ 5,169,275	£ 7,096,355	(+) 1,927,080

No. 13.—Principal Articles Imported Oversea, Annually.

Article.	1915-16.		1916-17.		1917-18.*		
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	
Ale and Beer—Bottle...	gal.	531,014	94,928	256,332	57,037	49,901	15,783
Bulk ...	"	13,390	1,299	175	17	...	...
Apparel and Attire ...	...	888,053	...	981,342	...	758,183	
Socks and Stockings	...	449,916	...	425,160	...	333,202	
Bags and Sacks—							
Bran, Chaff, &c. ...	doz.	478,951	161,267	275,279	89,660	294,568	109,756
Corn and Flour ...	"	1,227,292	426,049	1,698,512	587,832	1,131,325	437,278
Woolpacks ...	No.	1,090,333	155,040	968,111	141,716	885,250	159,201
Other ...	doz.	52,875	12,018	58,626	15,957	25,035	6,504
Bags, Purses, N.E.I. ...	...	...	101,806	...	110,975	...	67,712
Blankets, and Blanketing	...	...	55,598	...	61,271	...	5,977
Books (Printed) &c. ...	...	...	223,267	...	205,298	...	225,623
Boots and Shoes	...	...	170,350	...	228,857	...	130,812
Bullion—							
Gold—Bar, Ingots, &c. oz.	oz.	121,010	489,193	49,699	198,454	...	...
Silver—Bar, Ingot, &c. oz.	oz.	495	53	3,539	496	432,156	92,925
Canvas and Duck ...	...	...	231,798	...	212,911	...	158,624
Carpets and Carpeting	...	...	166,772	...	168,422	...	176,221
Cement (Portland) ...	cwt.	113,736	18,351	1,957	306	14	2
Clocks and Watches ...	...	...	156,507	...	130,452	...	90,366
Cocoa and Chocolate ...	lb.	2,630,858	203,732	2,221,400	181,835	1,855,053	76,424
Confectionery, N.E.I.	lb.	1,616,894	77,190	1,015,290	51,577	179,534	11,402
Copper—							
Pipes and Tubes (plain) cwt.		2,948	18,432	1,807	14,600	596	7,719
Copra ...	cwt.	269,728	277,827	248,247	281,417	512,067	646,417
Cordage and Twines—							
Sewing Silks, &c. ...	...	...	199,561	...	292,916	...	318,268
Cosies, Cushions, &c. ...	...	...	28,474	...	41,475	...	165,491
Cutlery, N.E.I. ...	...	...	127,706	...	135,987	...	135,423
Drugs and Chemicals—							
Cream of Tartar ...	cwt.	28,846	207,460	8,672	51,206	14,020	181,654
Other ...	...	...	161,603	...	192,590	...	...
Earthenware, &c. ...	...	...	111,620	...	88,382	...	76,735
Electrical Articles—							
Cable and Wire covered cwt.		42,882	190,946	27,974	192,222	11,616	116,511
Fancy Goods ...	...	...	161,330	...	153,190	...	153,623
Fish—Preserved in tins, &c. lb.	10,442,557	332,568	8,616,430	308,588	9,343,772	458,914	
Floor Cloths and Coverings ...	...	167,455	...	206,154	...	171,278	
Fruits, Fresh—Apples centals	64,560	70,716	44,173	55,844	17,230	20,606	
Bananas ...	...	190,442	109,320	254,323	138,553	124,280	78,664
Other ...	...	...	23,222	11,490	17,731	1,896	1,758
Furniture ...	...	...	44,724	...	25,936	...	16,788
Gloves ...	...	...	71,711	...	97,747	...	121,551
Grain—Maize ...	centals	1,154,634	449,949	19,547	6,951	1,868	873
Oats ...	...	518,755	276,428	201	110	235	158
Rice ...	...	545,111	239,974	232,232	129,282	474,259	266,550
Hats and Caps ...	...	...	224,625	...	151,111	...	125,977
Hessians ...	...	...	153,930	...	172,198	...	181,999
Instruments—							
Kinematographs, &c. ...	...	...	178,507	...	261,279	...	4,686
Pianos ...	No.	4,806	141,641	4,465	130,827	5,254	154,051
Parts ...	...	...	19,546	...	31,628	...	42,102
Iron and Steel—							
Bar, Rod, Angle, Tee cwt.		580,650	331,143	474,982	422,261	87,969	124,231
Girders, Beams ...	"	140,792	76,037	75,348	58,165	16,008	18,434
Pig ...	"	147,620	34,497	64,379	20,435	18,428	11,831
Plate and Sheet—							
Galvanised ...	"	476,222	692,787	207,625	339,427	99,785	227,826
Not galvanised ...	"	289,949	161,305	170,064	131,743	44,567	62,422
Jewellery ...	...	...	88,892	...	86,186	...	67,930
Precious stones, unset ...	...	...	154,521	...	164,590	...	215,235
Leather ...	...	...	117,915	...	213,840	...	119,001
Machines and Machinery—							
Agricultural ...	...	...	185,353	...	229,760	...	210,595
Electrical ...	...	...	403,855	...	410,570	...	273,287
Engines	164,700	...	116,504	...	70,942
Mining	25,138	...	23,234	...	29,618
Motive Power	84,558	...	96,914	...	91,520

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No. 13.—Principal Articles Imported Oversea, Annually—continued.

Article.	1915-16.		1916-17.		1917-18.*	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Machines and Machinery—		£		£		£
Sewing	...	...	103,565	...	109,004	...
Other	...	...	326,991	...	883,010	...
Matches	...	...	109,423	...	40,745	...
Medicines	...	...	208,818	...	251,954	...
Metals, Manufactures—						
Pipes and Tubes	...	...	379,474	...	299,080	...
Wire	...	...	256,697	...	173,831	...
Wire Netting	...	...	15,547	...	2,896	...
Miscellaneous	...	...	941,456	...	979,111	...
Oils in Bulk—						
Benzine	...	gal.	5,132,998	274,284	5,168,196	388,026
Benzoline, &c.	...	„	1,669,396	90,566	1,516,901	110,694
Kerosene	...	„	8,112,145	196,680	6,050,952	166,569
Lubricating Mineral	„		2,785,117	150,481	2,633,720	158,955
Paints & Colours prep'd or use	cwt.		22,075	55,268	15,460	42,876
Paper—Printing	...	...	427,668	...	728,682	...
Writing	...	...	129,896	...	207,358	...
Piece Goods—						
Cotton, Linen	...	...	2,047,194	...	2,534,328	...
Flannels	...	...	64,903	...	67,704	...
Horsehair Cloth	...	...	13,707	...	17,539	...
Rubbered Waterproof	...	...	15,381	...	12,794	...
Silk	...	...	706,967	...	704,941	...
Velvets, Velveteens	...	...	275,309	...	313,289	...
Woolens	...	...	1,138,104	...	1,296,101	...
N.E.I.	...	...	91,230	...	195,858	...
Other	...	...	83,992	...	103,257	...
Rails, Fish Plates, &c.	...	...	80,327	...	11,123	...
Rubber Manufactures	...	...	536,754	...	493,006	...
Specie—Bronze	...	...	Nil.	...	207	...
Gold	...	...	2,375	...	...	...
Silver	...	...	4,784	...	26,910	...
Spirits—Brandy, bottled	gal.	10,326	10,056	25,725	26,151	7,408
bulk	„	67,083	26,090	138,826	78,624	28,509
Gin—British	...	„	55,504	16,551	59,448	23,379
Hollands, Geneva	„	65,611	11,872	30,188 $\frac{1}{2}$	9,454	5,985
Schnapps	„	99,698	36,024	68,673	26,649	21,621
Rum—Bottled	...	„	2,932	1,790	1,241	1,299
Bulk	...	„	72,650	15,777	27,982	10,097
Whisky—Bottled	...	66,893	41,853	25,176	21,062	18,013
Bulk	...	770,126	330,225	916,877	613,021	564,843
Stationery	...	...	139,995	...	180,883	...
Sugar—Cane	...	cwt.	1,131,644	1,005,018	1,031,892	975,286
Tea	...	lb.	20,419,659	913,285	19,373,545	859,117
Timber—						
Dressed N.E.I.	sup. ft.	3,195,255	34,067	770,865	13,605	101,486
Logs not sawn	„	5,071,861	20,453	598,289	4,789	264,011
N.Z. White Pine	„	30,764,874	228,424	42,044,303	276,912	32,070,829
Undressed N.E.I.	„	77,193,799	561,546	73,527,824	600,641	77,891,225
Tobacco—						
Manufactured N.E.I.	lb.	1,069,800	86,533	1,330,271	99,676	825,217
Unmanufactured	„	8,725,123	501,435	7,808,105	454,119	2,303,472
Cigars	...	89,258	43,930	82,128 $\frac{1}{2}$	49,028	85,447
Cigarettes	...	74,332	25,954	81,268 $\frac{1}{2}$	30,523	53,470
Tools of Trade, not being machines	...	225,235	...	241,304	...	185,273
Trimmings and Ornaments	...	186,164	...	167,372	...	178,111
Vehicles—						
Bicycles, &c., and parts	...	...	124,637	...	126,466	...
Motor Car Bodies	...	...	122,126	...	111,104	...
Chassis	...	...	545,242	...	425,430	...
Other Vehicles and parts	...	179,874	...	206,182	...	162,402
Wines—Sparkling	gal.	13,318	28,570	9,753	20,807	4,910
Still, bottle	„	19,609	12,806	19,397	14,705	16,167
Still, bulk	„	13,491	4,152	7,614	2,580	4,717
Yarns	...	...	187,745	...	326,265	...
All other Articles	...	...	8,391,267	...	7,073,235	...
Total	...	...	33,379,698	...	32,742,297	...
						28,157,367

* Preliminary figures subject to alteration.

No. 14.—Principal Articles Exported Oversea Annually.

Article.	1915-16.		1916-17.		1917-18.*	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Ale and Beer—Bottled ... gal.	108,520	£ 18,873	143,357	£ 24,729	193,814	£ 34,081
Bulk "	728	47	111,105	10,110	25,339	2,106
Ammonia, Sulphate ... cwt.	80,853	65,218	68,808	73,203	84,050	156,101
Animals Living—						
Cattle, ordinary ... N.	103	538	128	2,759	107	1,975
Horses, ordinary ... "	Nil.	Nil.	3,310	75,944	3,840	102,204
Sheep, ordinary ... "	852	1,373	1,441	3,000	1,664	3,539
Sheep, breeding ... "	230	2,890	277	5,477	522	6,057
Apparel and Attire ...	...	127,605	...	101,493	...	180,608
Biscuits lb.	2,696,122	41,449	3,227,998	49,504	18,053,546	294,494
Boats, Launches ...	...	5,004	...	4,357	...	7,942
Bones cwt.	6,963	4,772	9,881	8,416	7,160	9,651
Bocks—printed ...	...	35,785	...	35,306	...	22,136
Boots, Shoes—Leather ...	...	19,912	...	37,253	...	73,054
Bullion—						
Gold—Bar, Ingot, etc. ozs.	10,315	35,039	374	...	...	...
In Matte ... "	41,260	161,594	32,024	126,607	...	...
Silver—Bar, Ingot, etc. "	644,094	73,496	358,992	54,410	2,342,119	444,983
In Matte ... "	2,827,201	309,645	2,178,451	313,990	903,095	162,468
Butter lb.	4,128,433	254,793	24,493,305	1,707,616	18,338,466	1,706,396
Cheese "	76,616	4,788	1,847,267	72,483	1,553,075	66,974
Coal tons	927,225	506,361	646,547	415,549	349,490	255,710
Coke "	25,219	29,107	34,709	52,238	29,719	54,671
Concentrates—						
Silver, Silver Lead ... cwt.	Nil.	Nil.	...	...	...	...
Tin "	3,672	12,802	...	...	...	...
Zinc "	60,785	91,260	100,469	33,017	62,445	21,827
Other "	2,427	13,949	656	8,456	1,504	15,373
Confectionery lb.	137,782	7,908	281,897	15,788	649,825	35,129
Copper—Ingots cwt.	601,138	2,932,340	676,181	4,072,056	493,632	2,836,295
In Matte ... "	41,366	197,441	14,494	65,364	...	...
Drugs, Chemicals, n.e.i. ...	...	21,647	...	32,689	...	38,510
Fruits, Dried—						
Currants lb.	182,207	3,730	2,520,065	60,908	1,861,743	47,372
Raisins "	317,183	9,163	485,551	14,384	175,501	12,051
Fruits, Fresh—						
Apples ... centals	5,677	5,309	7,414	7,245	2,907	3,428
Citrus "	19,683	13,997	24,293	23,489	23,775	21,380
Furniture ... ...	...	8,732	...	10,757	...	10,587
Glue Pieces, Sinews ... cwt.	13,276	6,135	17,636	12,987	7,522	9,852
Glycerine, unrefined ... lb.	218,675	5,803	423,427	12,976	697,479	21,841
Grain—						
Maize centals	2,084	928	25,223	10,849	55,827	26,816
Oats "	85,325	33,669	36,694	14,988	9,021	4,211
Wheat "	5,556,733	2,766,759	10,960,345	4,612,327	3,429,644	1,423,046
Bran, Pollard, Sharps ... "	63,089	26,255	123,020	40,745	109,113	38,854
Flour (Wheaten) ... "	968,761	594,124	1,931,994	1,189,390	2,259,648	1,411,809
Hair—Other lb.	336,765	12,666	324,441	13,560	332,588	14,337
Hats, Caps, Bonnets ...	...	9,397	...	12,762	...	25,341
Hay and Chaff cwt.	3,840	1,433	2,859	774	2,203	731
Hoofs "	4,518	1,254	3,026	2,212	2,906	2,610
Horns ... ...	...	3,455	...	2,826	...	11,815
Jams and Jellies lb.	5,600,818	101,722	13,000,812	280,951	14,570,478	278,333
Jewellery ... ...	...	7,730	...	4,494	...	1,365
Precious Stones, unset	...	14,359	...	7,141	...	8,349
Lard lb.	73,485	3,139	561,659	17,735	718,712	27,022
Lead—In Matte cwt.	689,303	767,627	529,580	614,072	297,420	372,718
Pig "	971,709	1,356,714	1,604,677	2,385,305	1,681,966	2,500,364
Sheet and Piping "	9,710	15,368	12,714	22,006	16,624	32,083
Leather ... ...	...	564,114	...	623,220	...	489,876
Leather Manufactures, n.e.i.	...	13,355	...	12,554	...	18,417
Manures—Bonedust ... cwt.	71,795	22,563	35,507	12,295	17,049	7,145
Superphosphates ... "	228,577	45,714	171,557	37,719	245,554	58,888

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No. 14.—Principal Articles Exported Oversea, Annually—*continued.*

Article.	1915-16.		1916-17.		1917-18.*	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Meats—Bacon and Hams lbs. Preserved by C.P.—	85,776	4,680	234,076	9,954	2,559,406	160,205
Beef lbs.	784,000	18,509	10,453,222	227,147	4,085,443	95,996
Mutton car.	{ 317,102	{ 268,764	{ 430,780	{ 134,897	{ 172,871	
lb. { 14,124,161			{ 22,088,432	{ 7,488,484		
Lamb car.	{ 358,419	{ 274,989	{ 210,022	{ 31,428	{ 1,230,337	34,286
lb. { 12,318,924			{ 7,939,660			
Rabbits and Hares... prs.	9,487,087	607,711	10,718,922	760,331	8,438,377	587,514
Potted, Concentrated...	...	45,465	...	62,744	...	122,383
Preserved in tins, &c... lb.	4,123,668	161,422	8,365,107	386,097	20,894,248	1,254,577
Medicines... ... ...	...	63,694	...	58,348	...	77,501
Metals—Antimony and Compounds ... ...	...	43,873	...	18,489	...	2,524
Metal Manufactures ...	...	196,680	...	175,957	...	171,539
Oils—Cocoanut cwt.	82,165	163,900	29,505	79,852	45,410	127,332
Onions "	37,439	15,448	63,035	25,654	29,803	16,223
Ores—Copper "	69,872	45,192	...	...	1,004	622
Gold Ore, &c "	2,385	5,394	...	...	...	...
Molybdenite "	2,569	58,891	3,525	80,680	3,341	72,523
Silver and Silver-Lead "	Nil.	Nil.	...	...	...	...
Tin "	27,167	151,382	24,665	147,165	1,213	7,359
Wolfram "	17,642	158,850	19,651	181,048	18,419	161,400
Other "	40,735	46,595	24,618	37,466	9,449	59,852
Potatoes "	22,962	12,449	52,583	21,762	39,241	15,259
Rubber Manufactures ...	...	24,739	...	65,314	...	77,665
Sausage Casings ...	...	31,706	...	62,393	...	34,459
Seeds ... ... ...	...	*13,807	...	26,497	...	29,515
Skins and Hides—						
Hides (Cattle) No.	256,103	328,178	60,436	110,044	78,213	173,567
Hides (Horse) "	706	706	166	16	16	20
Rabbit and Hare ... lb.	4,352,640	210,935	4,721,480	392,453	6,993,612	1,037,444
Sheep with Wool ... No.	2,174,774	386,119	700,620	208,075	566,051	166,769
Sheep without Wool ... "	1,272,438	61,936	1,509,432	109,817	475,474	43,282
Other ... ... ...	...	272,622	...	288,771	...	487,704
Soap—Toilet, Fancy ... lb.	122,106	8,195	152,354	9,964	263,497	18,098
Other "	2,917,258	53,001	2,624,394	51,844	3,758,131	83,500
Specie—Bronze ... ...	...	295	...	16	...	65
Gold ... ... ...	...	9,043,631	...	2,755,593	...	...
Silver ... ... ...	...	32,385	...	33,797	...	119,318
Stationery ... ...	...	16,141	...	17,502	...	21,067
Sugar—Cane cwt.	21,163	21,522	21,708	24,203	41,252	45,653
Tallow, unrefined "	128,570	227,881	225,522	498,124	170,795	409,845
Timber—Dressed	382,522	5192	252,901	3,421	220,273	3,285
Undressed "	15,878,754	156,355	11,776,202	134,654	10,381,023	170,839
Logs, not sawn "	217,283	1,680	99,509	877	241,640	1,995
Tin Ingots cwt.	38,946	324,929	47,368	448,158	63,997	915,362
Tobacco—Manufactured lb.	986,625	82,784	993,866	82,058	1,071,527	115,801
Cigarettes "	119,956	25,960	60,992	18,724	87,351	30,252
Wines—Sparkling ... gal.	2,930	5,816	2,489	4,791	3,861	6,739
Still, bottle "	26,407	14,981	29,179	16,997	68,161	34,718
Still, bulk "	5,277	19,404	119,559	23,729	80,051	18,630
Wood, Articles—Casks, Shooks	...	5,156	...	5,016	...	1,090
Other ... ... ...	...	7,678	...	9,991	...	11,051
Wool—Greasy ...	{ 652,069	{ 480,416	{ 10,403,056	{ 297,425	{ 81,553,022	{ 7,769,366
lb. { 215,212,159		{ 157,806,810				
Scoured and Washed { bale	{ 178,660	{ 98,450	{ 2,191,868	{ 142,340	{ 33,294,403	{ 3,120,835
lb. { 42,050,208		{ 23,969,500				
Tops lb.	4,981,975	680,656	4,869,452	1,204,570	4,570,357	1,510,799
All other Articles ...	...	1,965,541	...	2,422,770	...	3,923,952
Total ... ...	...	40,975,416	...	42,068,333	...	36,935,576

* Preliminary figures subject to alteration.

No. 15.—Imports Oversea during August, and during the two months, July and August.

Article.	August.				July and August.			
	1918.		1917.		1918.		1917.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Ale, Beer—Bottle ...	... gal.	6,258	2,210	...	...	6,258	2,210	2,481
Bulk ...	... "	...	...	...	...	...	...	765
Apparel and Attire ...	...	89,851	...	33,285	...	137,776	...	91,176
Socks and Stockings ...	...	65,737	...	15,047	...	78,490	...	39,267
Bags and Sacks—Bran, Chaff, &c. doz.	93,000	52,226	5,000	1,617	93,000	52,226	24,510	6,869
Corn and Flour ...	... "	1,250	687	114,125	36,812	1,250	687	132,125
Woolpacks ...	... No.	772,625	93,328	66,750	10,355	785,129	97,138	238,950
Other ...	... doz	8,333	1,650	267	61	8,400	1,681	5,250
Bags, Purses, n.e.i. ...	...	3,012	...	4,317	...	7,621	...	10,406
Blankets and Blanketing ...	...	2,521	...	531	...	3,227	...	1,236
Books (printed), &c. ...	...	29,575	...	9,574	...	38,783	...	20,486
Boots and Shoes ...	...	14,262	...	8,260	...	20,191	...	21,795
Bullion—Gold—Bar, ingot, &c. oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Silver " "	66,900	15,259	62,277	11,798	67,205	15,325	62,277	11,798
Canvas and Duck ...	...	36,051	...	7,214	...	55,992	...	26,206
Carpets and Carpeting ...	...	16,745	...	2,249	...	40,914	...	14,790
Cement (Portland) ...	... ewt.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clocks and Watches ...	...	13,465	...	5,500	...	19,207	...	14,131
Cocoa and Chocolate ... lb.	704,708	16,480	316,113	12,582	916,911	30,133	382,003	16,285
Confectionery, n.e.i. ... "	847	101	43,470	1,560	847	101	76,750	2,902
Copper, Pipes and Tubes (plain) cwt.	188	2,304	...	1	260	3,609	56	780
Copra "	47,012	54,328	4,993	6,474	120,408	155,741	42,531	47,420
Cordage & Twines—Sewing Silks, &c. ...	...	58,295	...	15,485	...	72,604	...	40,127
Counterpanes, Table Covers; Cosies, Cushions, &c. ...	...	36,221	...	7,179	...	54,102	...	21,536
Cutlery, n.e.i. ...	...	22,121	...	6,737	...	28,569	...	12,876
Drugs and Chemicals—								
Cream of Tartar ...	... ewt.	1,860	31,517	330	3,076	3,610	59,251	1,384
Earthenware, &c. ...	...	11,579	...	846	...	21,113	...	5,616
Electrical Articles—Cable and Wire, covered ... cwt.	1,214	19,218	47	680	2,693	38,743	850	6,423
Fancy Goods ...	...	22,657	...	9,061	...	50,155	...	21,637
Fish—Preserved in tins, &c. lb.	181,217	9,908	35,784	1,716	283,659	16,265	141,524	7,750
Floor Cloths and Coverings ...	...	12,418	...	10,778	...	16,342	...	24,026
Fruits, fresh—Apples ... entl.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bananas "	4,568	3,457	10,330	5,349	15,126	10,646	22,205	12,053
Other "	9	8	12	12	9	8	28	22
Furniture ...	...	1,817	...	449	...	3,201	...	2,314
Gloves ...	...	12,506	...	5,052	...	20,600	...	12,797
Grain—Maize ... entl.	...	...	...	...	859	397	61	106
Oats ... ... "	...	...	72	38	...	...	116	59
Rice "	1,536	1,669	5,550	3,378	44,613	26,246	154,489	80,663
Hats and Caps ...	...	12,898	...	9,953	...	25,079	...	35,024
Hessians ... ...	...	62,798	...	23,430	...	64,476	...	29,433
Instruments—Kinematographs, &c. ...	...	52	...	...	...	52	...	147
Pianos No.	278	8,617	204	7,659	383	11,453	914	28,805
Parts ... ...	...	7,706	...	2,701	...	11,575	...	4,852
Iron and Steel—								
Bar, Rod, Angle, Tee ... cwt	...	...	4,784	4,715	7,180	10,468	19,451	27,238
Girders, Beams, &c. ... "	20	273	1,855	1,748	8,468	7,150	3,496	3,823
Pig ... ... "	...	...	3,897	1,009	...	...	5,455	1,749
Plate and Sheet—Galvanised ...	6,562	17,413	9,920	18,705	8,664	23,245	14,900	27,361
Not galvanised ... "	2,361	3,273	680	3,882	11,881	22,217	11,946	13,566
Jewellery ... ...	...	4,629	...	5,595	...	6,315	...	12,341
Precious Stones, unset ...	...	44,446	...	8,727	...	64,712	...	18,076
Leather ... ...	...	7,509	...	2,691	...	12,119	...	14,515
Machines and Machinery—								
Agricultural ... ...	...	6,547	...	3,280	...	11,868	...	10,362
Electrical ... ...	...	55,060	...	15,146	...	68,411	...	32,749
Engines ... ...	...	5,862	...	5,171	...	7,735	...	9,863
Mining ... ...	...	6,281	...	838	...	6,958	...	2,811
Motive Power ... ...	...	14,724	...	1,496	...	16,364	...	18,458
Sewing ... ...	...	9,185	...	3,382	...	29,647	...	21,074
Other ... ...	...	72,593	...	34,330	...	149,478	...	88,295

No. 15.—Imports Oversea during August, and during the two months, July and August—continued.

Article.	August.				July and August.			
	1918.		1917.		1918.		1917.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Matches gross boxes	103,679	17,840	9,193	1,390	459,030	80,409	58,489	7,770
Medicines ... ...	...	33,095	...	5,236	...	35,665	...	27,601
Metals, Manufactures—Pipes and Tubes ... ...	...	1,992	...	3,790	...	4,162	...	37,355
Wire ... ...	...	12,714	...	3,857	...	23,279	...	33,518
Wire Netting ... ...	...	464	...	...	...	464	...	...
Miscellaneous ... ...	...	177,865	...	32,321	...	229,980	...	98,366
Oils in Bulk—								
Petroleum Spirit ... gal.	4,166,312	33,565	679,467	49,984	4,777,552	76,962	779,563	61,612
Kerosene "	295,000	12,701	...	...	885,212	27,416	1,655,002	48,107
Lubricating (Mineral) ... "	617,322	82,911	124,978	7,700	911,770	113,798	220,997	13,017
Paints and Colours (prepared) ... cwt.	...	...	72	175	124	391	4,357	12,036
Paper—Printing ... ...	...	69,678	...	14,522	...	90,423	...	29,038
Writing ... ...	...	21,604	...	8,722	...	29,302	...	16,288
Piece Goods—Cotton ... ...	...	703,906	...	59,696	...	963,856	...	227,755
Linen ... ...	...	23,556	...	59,696	...	38,004	...	227,755
Flannels ... ...	...	520	...	370	...	520	...	1,899
Horsehair Cloth ... ...	...	3,522	...	817	...	3,930	...	1,156
Rubberized Waterproof ... ...	...	3,136	...	1,137	...	3,768	...	2,116
Silk	167,216	...	75,284	...	283,780	...	150,069	...
Velvets, Velveteens ... ...	...	62,477	...	18,191	...	65,661	...	41,587
Woollens ... ...	...	127,524	...	31,549	...	148,117	...	101,512
N.E.I. ... ...	...	35,521	...	1,677	...	46,464	...	10,547
Other ... ...	...	16,504	...	2,393	...	27,919	...	15,190
Rails, Fishplates, &c. ... ...	...	...	...	...	9	...	...	...
Rubber Manufactures ... ...	...	8,456	...	13,810	...	11,671	...	38,158
Specie—Bronze ... ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gold ... ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Silver ... ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Spirits—Brandy, Bottled ... gal.	1,402	2,819	1,600	1,727	1,502	3,030	1,696	1,852
Brandy, Bulk ... "	3,426	4,396	950	670	3,426	4,396	1,991	1,433
Gin—British ... "	913	806	1,525	709	913	806	3,825	1,712
Hollands, Geneva ... "	...	...	400	419	...	...	400	419
Schnapps ... ... "	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	...
Rum, Bottled ... ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rum, Bulk ... ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Whisky, Bottled ... ...	...	86	164	2	6,977	7,613	2,662	2,455
Whisky, Bulk	65,136	77,768	28,362	21,561	77,470	93,243	100,532	76,972
Stationery ... ...	...	...	23,001	...	9,265	...	34,446	...
Sugar—Cane cwt.	6,022	5,704	...	...	18,750	18,063	41,948	38,905
Tea ... ...	...	lb.	767,430	34,441	1,422,948	62,338	5,677,661	290,465
Timber—Dressed, n.e.i. sup. ft.	211	8	...	...	211	8	5,340	100
Logs, not sawn	8,548	368	12,600	45	8,548	368	40,979	289
N.Z. White Pine	2,757,740	24,023	2,270,313	16,704	4,696,898	37,944	4,804,302	35,552
Undressed, n.e.i.	8,973,786	159,275	2,362,688	19,532	14,543,521	224,150	10,823,866	115,288
Tobacco—Manufactured, n.e.i. lb.	57,670	8,085	48,025	3,463	143,436	16,724	164,590	5,792
Unmanufactured	5,172	391	23,629	2,749	31,292	3,045	143,582	8,177
Cigars "	4,798	2,943	2,959	2,202	5,622	3,303	11,740	7,778
Cigarettes "	5,403	3,203	3,774	1,422	6,702	4,140	7,803	3,195
Tools of Trade ... ...	...	34,604	...	8,420	...	50,664	...	26,956
Trimmings and Ornaments ... ...	...	35,437	...	8,071	...	43,772	...	20,109
Vehicles, Bicycles, &c., and parts ... ...	...	11,015	...	6,889	...	14,944	...	21,345
Motor Car Bodies ... ...	...	8,592	...	4,751	...	12,650	...	9,156
Motor Car Chassis ... ...	...	54,534	...	17,639	...	101,618	...	32,917
Other Vehicles and parts ... ...	...	13,992	...	4,672	...	23,739	...	20,483
Wines—Sparkling ... gal.	26	116	358	494	319	848	383	554
Still, bottled "	503	367	1,110	1,121	609	468	2,416	2,584
Still, bulk "	617	179	143	58	617	179	150	59
Yarns ... ...	...	...	29,748	...	12,042	...	44,608	...
All other Articles ... ...	...	...	967,916	...	309,663	...	1,774,028	...
Total ... ...	...	£	...	4,214,401	...	1,240,785	...	3,547,297

No. 16—Exports Oversea during August, 1918, and during the two months, July and August, 1918.

Item.	August, 1918.		July and August, 1918.	
	Value.		Value.	
	Australian Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Total.
Foodstuffs of Animal or Vegetable origin and Drink—		£	£	£
Meats, including Animals for Food	618,083	622,182	692,323	696,525
Grain and Flour	252,575	267,783	523,430	550,896
Other Foodstuffs and Drink	144,193	178,907	233,506	285,418
Total Foodstuffs and Drink	1,014,851	1,067,972	1,449,259	1,532,839
Tobacco	7,231	13,221	12,344	30,595
Live Animals	3,803	3,810	6,556	6,563
Animal Substances, not Foodstuffs—				
Hides and Skins—				
Cattle	17,332	17,677	54,287	54,632
Rabbit and Hare	28,452	28,452	152,958	152,958
Other Furred Skins	31	31	15,794	15,794
Sheep, with Wool ... ... ...	...	...	27,876	27,876
Sheep, without Wool ... ... ...	...	...	2,910	2,910
Other ... ... ... ...	...	...	...	...
Wool—Greasy	1,213,240	1,213,240	2,261,722	2,261,722
Scoured	181,597	181,597	530,081	530,081
Tops	15,266	15,266	15,266	15,266
Other	39,859	40,006	47,286	47,535
Total Animal Substances... ...	1,495,777	1,496,269	3,108,180	3,108,774
Vegetable Substances and Fibres	7,949	52,959	13,559	80,505
Apparel Textiles and Manufactured Fibres—				
Apparel and Attire	20,011	24,046	26,892	35,397
Boots, Shoes and Slippers—Leather	15,551	15,550	22,520	23,025
Other	23,126	68,344	30,154	101,371
Total Apparel, &c.... ...	58,688	108,040	79,566	159,793
Oils, Fats and Waxes	136,323	145,207	222,682	241,799
Paints and Varnishes	8,978	9,630	16,372	17,894
Stones and Minerals used Industrially—				
Coal	25,476	25,476	46,146	46,146
Coke	3,532	3,532	5,976	5,976
Other	409	424	726	867
Total Stones and Minerals	29,417	29,432	52,848	52,989
Ores and Metals, Manufactured or Partly Manufactured.	854,532	856,079	1,095,410	1,098,779
Machinery and Machinery: Manufactures of Metals..	46,210	73,426	65,933	121,530
Indiarubber and Leather, and Manufactures thereof	24,987	31,349	38,998	50,937
Wood and Wicker, Raw and Manufactured...	25,082	25,741	36,324	38,380
Earthenware, Cement, China, Glass, Stoneware ...	6,620	7,679	12,048	14,532
Paper and Stationery	6,267	9,640	9,435	14,917
Jewellery and Fancy Goods	5,908	6,405	6,741	9,275
Optical, Surgical and Scientific Instruments...	2,658	8,019	3,507	13,637
Drugs, Chemicals, and Fertilizers ...	75,645	91,256	128,093	148,704
Miscellaneous	37,598	55,506	53,122	79,366
Bullion and Specie	274,734	274,734	275,517	275,517
Total Exports	4,122,358	4,366,374	6,686,494	7,096,355

No. 17.—Trade with Principal Countries.

Country.	1890.	1900.	1905.	1910.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.
Imports.							
Australian States	... 10,049,648	10,164,080	14,938,885	12,623,428*	£ †	£ †	£ †
Oversea—							
United Kingdom	... 8,628,007	9,923,117	8,602,288	14,385,633	15,367,746	15,608,510	15,722,209
Canada...	... 18,784	114,321	73,443	356,593	944,518	981,845	887,378
Fiji ...	... 99,853	60,831	43,232	161,894	247,650	594,632	1,038,521
Hong Kong ...	... 271,730	67,928	89,351	95,450	151,710	200,879	198,899
India and Ceylon	... 239,070	601,741	717,948	1,135,359	1,631,131	2,021,610	2,023,349
New Zealand ...	... 932,073	1,348,605	1,369,001	1,180,011	1,151,271	1,702,753	1,452,899
South Africa ...	... 55	1,013	5,256	20,312	25,550	401,026	89,377
Straits Settlements	... 27,148	40,391	82,830	132,245	231,731	305,992	372,184
Other British ...	... 6,685	118,929	67,165	158,494	188,324	225,901	222,945
Belgium ...	... 130,819	147,661	222,994	555,298	263,510	1,629	7,955
China ...	... 241,840	190,456	28,631	38,720	53,918	116,838	57,453
France ...	... 117,871	270,084	138,028	166,986	99,841	130,721	64,996
Germany ...	... 639,475	1,105,664	864,289	1,288,574	497,372	19,549	20,038
Italy ...	... 23,961	92,732	73,757	129,246	200,666	333,774	179,434
Japan ...	... 22,040	122,041	145,257	335,320	660,389	1,274,348	1,451,040
New Caledonia	... 83,920	28,509	18,399	39,242	37,411	43,569	34,759
Philippine Islands	... 4,414	49,240	27,854	37,492	41,841	73,638	31,507
South Sea Islands	... 40,214	107,488	103,142	164,530	§	§	§
United States ...	... 859,102	2,557,961	1,636,069	2,150,953	4,320,904	7,374,260	7,367,597
Other Foreign...	... 178,295	448,279	176,189	706,641	1,207,760	1,968,224	1,519,757
Total, Oversea	... 12,565,356	17,396,991	14,485,123	23,238,993	27,323,243	33,379,698	32,742,297
Total, Imports	... 22,615,004	27,561,071	29,424,008	...	...	...	...
Exports.							
Australian States	... 10,990,593	9,979,190	12,263,472	10,307,115†	‡	‡	‡
Oversea—							
United Kingdom	... 6,623,431	8,273,272	10,222,422	13,318,099	16,258,252	15,320,054	23,906,117
Canada ...	... 10	66,403	41,520	76,866	362,016	650,264	250,388
Fiji ...	... 98,951	183,579	245,152	410,926	379,326	289,836	377,846
Hong Kong ...	... 255,050	218,986	424,460	414,042	383,601	252,759	114,490
India and Ceylon	... 257,360	174,296	1,330,189	187,128	355,307	573,335	955,049
New Zealand ...	... 294,138	826,662	934,661	1,319,358	1,767,086	2,421,292	1,967,562
South Africa ...	... 1,014	755,487	371,727	289,812	753,499	128,016	154,510
Straits Settlements	... 34,347	39,898	95,995	246,513	211,588	263,623	351,474
Other British ...	... 27,409	49,586	89,669	136,742	368,113	497,660	1,907,054
Belgium ...	... 1,011,846	620,349	1,787,163	2,970,187	203,527	420	...
China ...	... 1,037	68,004	318,159	64,192	50,546	67,220	64,990
France ...	... 233,924	1,024,300	3,570,246	4,232,137	610,879	1,498,631	1,407,457
Germany ...	... 404,280	844,504	2,771,396	4,934,474	150,619	...	...
Italy ...	... 24,498	61,132	176,770	234,419	570,572	1,934,012	1,276,780
Japan ...	... 7,156	133,989	377,451	524,598	1,573,184	2,354,584	2,663,270
New Caledonia	... 193,396	179,761	135,446	115,458	158,794	179,377	251,495
Philippine Islands	... 16,410	88,043	183,853	226,134	129,591	52,508	124,663
South Sea Islands	... 45,290	126,834	141,381	214,651	§	§	§
United States ...	... 1,300,375	3,981,242	602,145	805,326	2,721,910	13,132,683	3,776,345
Other Foreign...	... 225,362	468,999	698,429	1,254,389	1,098,615	1,359,142	2,518,843
Total, Oversea	... 11,055,344	18,185,326	24,518,534	32,035,451	28,107,025	40,975,416	42,068,333
Total, Exports	... 22,045,937	28,164,516	36,782,006	...	...	...	...

*Imports, 1st January to 13th September inclusive. †Exports, 1st January to 13th September inclusive. ‡Not available.

§ Included in "Other Foreign."

No. 18.—Principal Articles Imported at Sydney during August, 1918.

(Compiled from returns supplied by Sydney Harbour Trust.)

Article.	Oversea.*			Interstate.			State.	
	Quantity.	Measure- ment.		Quantity.	Measure- ment.	Value.	Quantity.	Measure- ment.
Agricultural Implements	tons	85	10	37	105	5,955	...	2
Ale, Beer, and Stout	84	...	61	1,117	...	5
Animals—Horses	No.	...	...	29	...	2,810	84	...
Horned Cattle	"	2	...	69	...	820	499	...
Calves	"	161	...
Pigs	..."	8	...	...	...	...	4,682	...
Bacon and Hams	...	tons	...	...	323	21,742	...	554
Bananas	...	bchs.	9,966	...	...	...	54	...
"	...	cases	836	...	4,546	...	13,423	...
Boots, Shoes, &c.	...	tons	...	148	...	463	66,449	...
Bullion—Gold and Silver	cwt.	1	...	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	...	6,300	...	...
Butter	tons	...	101	11,373	...	815
Candles, tapers, night-lights	3	...	37	1,864	...	110
Cement	tons	2	62	...	310	...
Chaff	"	...	90	...	538	1
Cheese	"	15	926	136
Coal	"	65,701	...
" (bunker)"	22,993	...
Confectionery	5	502	22,362	...	3
Cordage, rope, twine, &c.	...	tons	360	...	141	13,447	...	1
Drapery	2	6,179	...	1,017	179,598	67
Drugs, Medicines, Chemicals	284	695	77	132	13,477	5
Earthenware	tons	4	350	...	627	17
Eggs (in shell)	96	2,028	...	255
Fish, fresh or frozen	17	...	7	87	186
Oysters, fresh or other	3	...	60	79
Flour	tons	...	17	3	274	...
Fruit, fresh	cases	63	99,582	...	31,336	7,891
Furniture	tons	...	49	...	6,062	...
Glass and Glassware"	189	1,118	1	101	1,709	6
Grain—Maize"	25	...	222	1,676
Oats"	1,030	...	12,283	105
Hardware"	956	1,010	229	203	27,413	31
Hay"	1	...	50	...	293	769
Hides and Skins"	...	222	...	1,883	137,883	412
Iron—Galvanized"	144	...	34	...	2,128	...
Pig"	4	...	70	...
Jams and Jellies"	91	2,932	1
Leatherware"	...	24	...	191	32,058	10
Machinery and Machines	..."	244	1,157	186	460	31,807	75	42
Matches and Match-making Materials	...	1,240	...	...	354	16,957	...	5
Milk and Cream, preserved	651	35,400	...	76
Molasses and Syrup	...	tons	1,270	...	74	28	771	531
Melons, Pumpkins, Squashes	No.	...	...	1,680	...	40	7,025	...
Onions	tons	...	290	...	5,492	...
Oilmen's Stores"	9	454	14	197	16,589	10
Potatoes"	2,979	...	18,899	44
Saddlery"	31	48	...	3	161	1
Soap"	...	12	...	183	6,541	177
Specie	tons	...	...	3	9,700	...
Spirits—Brandy"	...	57	...	46	9,159	...
Gin"	...	15	...	38	6,294	...
Rum"	402	72,309	...
Whisky"	...	252	...	48	8,799	1
Sugar"	503	...	7,695	...	174,035	628
Tea"	...	1,456	...	24	1,213	2
Timber—Sawn	sup. ft. }	7,665,172	...	2,252,609	...	22,537	6,530,158	...
Rough	..."	106	20,116	...	1
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	...	tons	47	2,490	...	...	...	...
Vegetables, fresh"	...	334	509	5,889	133	1
Waters, Cordials, &c."	...	57	...	35	754	...
Wines"	...	1	...	578	15,719	51
Woodenware"	...	87	...	108	1,829	34
Wool—Bales and Butts	No.	...	...	598	...	7,547	396	...
Bags"	37	...
Woollens	...	ton	...	214	103	15,566	...	...
All other Articles"	24,649	35,965	9,666	10,494	631,024	8,136
Total	53,779	...	20,334	1,744,311	10,362

* The total Oversea imports were valued at £4,125,388.

No. 19.—Shipping—all Ports.

(Compiled from Returns supplied by Customs Department.)

Year.	Entered.		Cleared.		Tonnage Entered.		Tonnage Cleared.	
	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Steam.	Sailing.	Steam.	Sailing.
1907	3,238	6,070,953	3,205	6,009,282	5,257,019	813,934	5,228,469	780,813
1908	3,196	6,298,784	3,219	6,303,125	5,822,060	476,724	5,737,747	565,378
1909	2,861	5,870,034	2,767	5,689,426	5,388,231	481,803	5,254,376	435,050
1910	2,937	6,290,119	3,035	6,471,855	5,892,049	398,070	6,047,832	424,023
1911	3,127	6,822,135	3,146	6,833,782	6,427,442	394,693	6,424,865	408,917
1912	3,354	7,490,046	3,346	7,453,005	7,010,420	479,626	6,975,678	477,327
1913	3,393	8,117,501	3,375	8,071,101	7,800,389	317,112	7,744,422	326,679
Jan.-June, 1914	1,799	4,393,002	1,765	4,318,636	4,147,905	245,097	4,119,514	199,122
1914-15	3,000	7,051,503	3,059	7,219,914	6,892,390	159,113	7,004,886	215,028
1915-16	3,045	6,552,235	3,062	6,574,582	6,346,795	205,440	6,360,428	214,154
1916-17	2,239	5,836,272	2,610	5,784,164	5,719,724	116,548	5,673,942	110,222
1917-18	2,185	4,387,964	2,218	4,390,140	4,262,701	125,263	4,155,581	234,559
July-Aug., 1918	449	769,613	455	769,276	740,314	29,299	769,276	13,523
," 1917	382	792,955	334	701,894	769,136	23,819	692,952	8,942
August, 1918	222	376,472	236	387,041	355,724	20,748	380,337	6,704
," 1917	123	231,095	101	213,457	223,654	7,441	208,968	4,489

NOTE.—The shipping recorded in the above table is "Oversea" and "Interstate" only.

No. 20.—Shipping entered—Port of Sydney.

(Compiled from Returns supplied by Sydney Harbour Trust.)

Year.	Description of Vessels.	Number of Vessels.			Net Tonnage.		
		Oversea and Interstate.	State.	Total.	Oversea and Interstate.	State.	Total.
1908	Steam ...	2,460	6,469	8,929	5,205,883	1,596,569	6,802,452
	Sailing ...	190	904	1,094	169,339	135,783	305,122
1909	Steam ...	2,314	5,713	8,027	5,148,293	1,483,635	6,631,928
	Sailing ...	193	724	917	171,638	97,491	269,120
1910	Steam ...	2,292	5,700	7,992	5,398,910	1,474,145	6,873,055
	Sailing ...	173	679	852	174,789	89,464	264,253
1911	Steam ...	2,408	6,138	8,546	5,903,713	1,626,209	7,529,922
	Sailing ...	68	502	670	159,031	80,087	239,118
1912	Steam ...	2,747	6,417	9,164	6,580,862	1,738,343	8,319,205
	Sailing ...	110	401	511	120,072	54,782	174,854
1913	Steam ...	2,696	6,718	9,414	7,063,444	1,790,740	8,854,184
	Sailing ...	107	401	508	109,725	54,876	164,601
Jan.-June, 1914	Steam ...	1,371	3,278	4,649	3,722,136	881,795	4,603,931
	Sailing ...	65	167	232	80,675	25,971	106,646
1914-15	Steam ...	2,452	6,640	9,092	6,290,718	1,761,927	8,052,645
	Sailing ...	70	304	374	67,980	43,708	111,688
1915-16	Steam ...	2,321	6,571	8,892	5,589,677	1,762,430	7,352,107
	Sailing ...	152	241	393	136,511	46,659	183,170
1916-17	Steam ...	2,026	6,100	8,126	5,000,450	1,576,907	6,577,357
	Sailing ...	127	200	327	107,841	40,630	148,471
1917-18	Steam ...	1,738	5,468	7,206	3,809,666	1,341,710	5,151,376
	Sailing ...	126	206	332	130,568	38,456	160,024
July-August, 1918	Steam ...	330	984	1,314	606,183	226,185	832,368
	Sailing ...	28	38	66	28,430	8,256	36,686
," 1917	Steam ...	295	939	1,234	679,510	224,404	903,914
August, 1918	Sailing ...	25	44	69	24,128	6,654	30,782
	Steam ...	159	520	679	290,411	116,776	407,187
," 1917	Sailing ...	16	23	39	15,760	4,583	20,343
	Steam ...	93	340	433	186,861	80,819	267,680
	Sailing ...	9	24	33	8,098	2,127	10,225

NOTE.—"Oversea and Interstate" shipping includes the trips and tonnages of vessels which proceed to Newcastle for bunker coal, which return to Sydney, but which do not then report at the Customs.

No. 21.—State Revenue (August), and two months (July and August).
(Advances recovered are not included.)

Source of Revenue.	August.		Increase or Decrease (-)	July and August.		Increase or Decrease (-)
	1917.	1918.		1917-18.	1918-19.	
Governmental—						
Commonwealth Returns ...	192,754	192,967	213	383,330	385,934	2,604
Taxation (by State) ...	188,434	185,704	(-) 2,730	314,491	358,921	44,430
Public Lands ...	143,219	133,713	(-) 9,506	299,164	290,537	(-) 8,627
All other sources ...	63,977	72,374	8,397	127,929	153,055	25,126
Gross Total ...	588,384	584,758	(-) 3,626	1,124,914	1,188,447	63,533
Refunds ...	6,475	3,254	(-) 3,221	17,432	8,670	(-) 8,762
Net Total ...	581,909	581,504	(-) 405	1,107,482	1,179,777	72,295
Business Undertakings by State—						
Railways and Tramways ...	572,508	984,680	412,172	1,357,070	1,968,743	611,673
Other ...	103,404	134,085	30,681	160,597	193,278	32,681
Gross Total ...	675,912	1,118,765	442,853	1,517,667	2,162,021	644,354
Refunds ...	4,292	12,621	8,329	14,102	26,525	12,423
Net Total ...	671,620	1,106,144	434,524	1,503,565	2,135,496	631,931
Net Revenue and Receipts proper £ 1,253,529 1,687,648 434,119 2,611,047 3,315,273 704,226						

No. 22.—State Expenditure (August), and two months (July and August).
(Transfers and Advances are not included.)

Distribution of Expenditure.	August.		Increase or Decrease (-)	July and August.		Increase or Decrease (-)
	1917.	1918.		1917-18.	1918-19.	
Governmental ...	561,341	618,520	57,179	1,156,334	1,219,790	63,456
Business Undertakings ...	724,447	747,198	22,751	1,461,996	1,554,618	92,622
Interest ...	346,570	354,709	8,139	671,088	678,369	7,281
Total Expenditure ...	£ 1,632,358	1,720,427	88,089	3,289,418	3,452,777	163,359

No. 23.—Transactions on Consolidated Revenue Account, two months (July and August).

Particulars.			1917-18.	1918-19.
	£	£	Dr.	Dr.
Balance on 1st July ...	...	...	483,138	459,313
Revenue proper— Governmental ...	...	...	1,107,482	1,179,777
Business Undertakings ...	...	...	1,503,565	2,135,496
Other Receipts ...	...	...	40,425	7,904
Total Receipts ...	...	...	£ 2,651,472	3,323,177
Expenditure proper— Governmental ...	...	...	1,156,334	1,219,790
Business Undertakings ...	...	...	1,461,996	1,554,618
Interest ...	...	...	671,088	678,369
Bogan Scrub Clearing ...	...	...	...	...
Two-thirds Net-proceeds Sale—Crown Lands ...	...	...	...	...
Meat Supply for Imperial Uses Act ...	...	...	19,065	65,873
Transfer to Special Deposit Account, Forestry Revenue ...	...	...	6,522	8,618
Public Works Fund, Grant in aid ...	...	...	...	...
Wheat Acquisition Act ...	...	...	...	...
Other Payments ...	...	...	88,176	60,313
Total Payments ...	...	...	£ 3,403,181	3,587,581
Balance at 31st August ...	...	...	£ Dr. 1,224,847	Dr. 723,717

NOTE.—The total receipts in this table (No. 21), represent the gross transactions, including advances recovered, while the expenditure includes transfers to various funds, also temporary advances made. These items are not included in Tables Nos. 21 and 22, but they are necessary in order to ascertain the balances of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

No. 24.—State Revenue—Comparison—Monthly.

Month.	1917-18.			1918-19.			Increase (+) Decrease (-)
	Governmental.	Business Undertakings.	Total.	Governmental.	Business Undertakings.	Total.	
July	£ 525,573	£ 831,945	£ 1,357,518	£ 598,273	£ 1,029,352	£ 1,627,625	(+) £ 270,107
August	581,909	671,620	1,253,529	581,504	1,106,144	1,687,648	(+) 434,119
Total (2 months) ...	£ 1,107,482	£ 1,503,565	£ 2,611,047	£ 1,179,777	£ 2,135,496	£ 3,315,273	(+) 704,226

No. 25.—State Expenditure—Comparison—Monthly.

Month.	1917-18.			1918-19.			Increase (+) Decrease (-)
	Governmental (including Interest and Sinking Fund).	Business Undertakings.	Total.	Governmental (including Interest and Sinking Fund).	Business Undertakings.	Total.	
July	£ 919,511	£ 737,549	£ 1,657,060	£ 924,930	£ 807,420	£ 1,732,350	(+) £ 75,290
August	907,911	724,447	1,632,358	973,229	747,198	1,720,427	(+) 88,069
Total (2 months) ...	£ 1,827,422	£ 1,461,996	£ 3,289,418	£ 1,898,159	£ 1,554,618	£ 3,452,777	(+) 163,359

No. 26.—Public Debt and Expenditure from Loans, 1908-18.

Year ended 30th June,	Public Debt at end of Year.	Expenditure from Loans during Year.				
		Reproductive Works.			Other Works and Services.	Total.
		Railways and Tramways.	Water Supply and Sewerage (including Water Conservation).	Harbours and Rivers (including Docks, Resumptions, &c.).		
1908	£ 87,635,826	£ 1,363,314	£ 370,819	£ 138,561	£ 92,635	£ 1,965,329
1909	90,307,419	2,127,633	617,589	114,095	47,190	2,906,507
1910	92,525,095	2,471,284	578,111	158,732	38,513	3,246,640
1911	95,523,926	2,547,672	730,819	234,213	409,054	3,921,758
1912	100,052,635	3,448,127	1,344,211	413,998	284,767	5,491,103
1913	106,170,747	4,618,967	1,595,093	676,180	813,354	7,703,594
1914	116,695,031	5,714,964	1,942,497	862,927	606,456	9,126,844
1915	127,735,405	4,690,908	1,368,260	685,231	251,708	6,996,107
1916	130,514,018	4,983,632	1,535,364	1,005,291	648,817	8,173,104
1917	138,138,347	3,842,809	1,435,674	962,881	620,815	6,862,179
1918	*152,584,693	2,412,108	1,287,018	455,861	332,524	4,487,511

NOTE.—Redemptions of Loans are not included in the Expenditure.

* Includes Stock raised in February, 1918, viz., £10,076,000, being portion of loans maturing in September, 1918.

No. 27.—Net Revenue and Receipts of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, 1910-11 to 1917-18.

Head of Revenue.	1910-11.	1911-12.	1912-13.	1913-14.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.	1917-18.
Governmental :—								
Taxation—								
Commonwealth—Balance of Revenue collected and returned to State ...	£ 1,942,245	£ 2,046,993	£ 2,178,683	£ 2,248,241	£ 2,287,295	£ 2,297,872	£ 2,286,913	£ 2,317,783
State ...	1,027,519	1,885,653	1,405,360	2,330,005	2,955,670	3,117,221	3,629,404	3,860,501
Land—	£ 2,969,764	3,932,646	3,584,043	4,578,246	5,242,965	5,415,093	5,916,317	6,178,284
Alienations ...	944,030	894,797	999,363	982,885	906,785	1,057,711	972,658	1,068,676
Revenue ...	810,427	774,451	836,585	846,002	791,296	807,602	774,351	792,784
Receipts for Services rendered ...	£ 1,754,457	£ 1,669,248	£ 1,835,948	£ 1,828,887	£ 1,698,081	£ 1,865,313	£ 1,747,009	£ 1,861,460
Miscellaneous Receipts ...	317,082	647,672	495,427	482,649	561,093	502,328	550,008	519,016
Industrial Undertakings of the State ...	20,281	32,885	6,300	10,358	9,060	12,710	12,348	
Total Governmental ...	£ 5,460,691	£ 6,653,516	£ 6,361,030	£ 7,349,098	£ 7,920,887	£ 8,206,465	£ 8,643,389	£ 8,977,598
Business Undertakings by the State :—								
Railway Commissioners ...	7,412,127	8,067,597	8,544,376	9,684,877	9,660,822	9,990,502	10,390,602	10,821,648
Sydney Harbour Trust ...	374,280	412,410	452,244	470,773	464,681	489,722	511,980	576,459
Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage ...	537,355	584,654	633,599	713,056	796,338	844,664	866,314	953,306
Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board ...	54,686	58,788	66,145	80,945	85,823	98,089	99,448	104,822
Total Business Undertakings ...	£ 8,378,448	£ 9,123,449	£ 9,696,364	£ 10,949,651	£ 11,007,664	£ 11,422,977	£ 11,868,344	£ 12,456,235
Total ...	£ 13,839,139	£ 15,776,965	£ 16,057,394	£ 18,298,749	£ 18,928,551	£ 19,629,442	£ 20,511,733	£ 21,433,833
Other Receipts (Advances Repaid, &c.) ...	43,346	20,171	203,062	139,480	17,676	74,076	26,102	143,396
Grand Total ...	£ 13,882,485	£ 15,797,136	£ 16,260,456	£ 18,438,229	£ 18,946,227	£ 19,703,518	£ 20,537,835	£ 21,577,229

No. 28.—Net Expenditure from the Consolidated Revenue Fund, 1910-11 to 1917-18.

Head of Expenditure.	1910-11.	1911-12.	1912-13.	1913-14.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.	1917-18.
Governmental:—								
Interest on Public Debt and on Funds in temporary possession of Government (exclusive of Business Undertakings)	801,754	897,215	950,895	1,022,732	971,435	1,057,769	1,004,193	1,089,728
Reduction of Public Debt	409,349	436,921	450,602	5,632	5,688	6,504	6,868	6,819
Local Government and Main Roads—Endowments and Grants ...	295,714	341,264	281,304	258,352	281,243	344,022	308,336	325,145
Hospitals and Charities (including Lunacy)	550,956	567,185	643,969	733,387	769,311	880,243	929,218	949,154
Police and Prisons	558,681	574,781	641,858	655,189	653,282	652,119	694,514	736,192
Departments—								
Premier	62,727	109,632	115,303	85,925	185,883	175,978	132,923	92,893
Chief Secretary and Public Health (excluding Police, Hospitals, &c.)	90,293	101,533	107,827	122,666	132,955	126,539	135,172	143,235
Treasurer (excluding Charitable Allowances, &c.)	488,501	586,994	603,520	624,716	593,936	594,751	735,911	825,993
Attorney-General and Justice (excluding Prisons)	268,528	291,971	301,788	325,776	333,965	334,958	331,390	329,387
Lands	380,061	382,396	391,752	384,478	451,025	410,017	384,854	384,959
Public Works (excluding Local Government Endowments, &c.) ...	399,368	507,650	540,515	418,225	441,523	444,698	459,035	429,393
Public Instruction (including Grants to Educational and Scientific Institutions)	1,206,942	1,405,358	1,490,205	1,607,324	1,635,453	1,698,515	1,853,049	1,955,267
Labour and Industry	6,086	19,098	39,510	54,049	43,759	50,111	55,156	46,076
Mines	63,644	64,347	63,157	67,834	71,910	74,803	62,425	61,744
Agriculture	175,054	187,062	216,366	295,943	236,163	245,298	249,244	295,791
Local Government and Main Roads ... ...	...	...	...	...	...	21,777	29,612	29,093
All other Services	411,140	387,790	545,927	450,190	420,223	445,516	467,941	494,008
Total, Governmental	£ 6,168,798	£ 6,861,197	£ 7,384,498	£ 7,112,418	£ 7,226,854	£ 7,562,718	£ 7,839,841	£ 8,194,787
Business Undertakings, including Interest on Capital:—								
Railways and Tramways	6,759,942	7,501,224	8,520,415	9,505,926	9,540,159	10,107,149	10,794,694	10,969,925
Water Supply and Sewerage	576,072	608,534	644,347	725,931	785,300	841,278	984,803	1,065,412
Sydney Harbour Trust	307,253	314,143	332,839	366,698	383,435	420,669	464,564	499,156
Total, Business Undertakings	£ 7,643,267	£ 8,423,901	£ 9,497,601	£ 10,598,555	£ 10,708,894	£ 11,369,096	£ 12,244,061	£ 12,534,493
Transfers to Public Works and Closer Settlement Funds								
Other Payments (Advances made, &c.)	636,153	638,729	559,698	336,541	499,408	589,818	563,043	619,781
	22,469	213,452	47,039	17,076	81,023	32,295	159,688	204,344
Grand Total	£ 14,470,687	£ 16,137,279	£ 17,488,836	£ 18,065,190	£ 18,516,179	£ 19,553,927	£ 20,806,633	£ 21,553,405

No. 29.—Transactions on Consolidated Revenue Fund, 1912-13 to 1917-18.

	1912-13.	1913-14.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.	1917-18.
Balance brought forward ...	£ Cr. 61,363	£ Dr. 1,167,017	£ Dr. 793,978	£ Dr. 363,931	£ Dr. 214,340	£ Dr. 483,138
Net Revenue Proper	16,057,394	18,298,749	18,928,551	19,629,442	20,511,733	21,433,833
Advances Repaid ...	203,062	139,480	17,676	74,076	26,102	143,396
(A) Total Receipts for year	16,260,456	18,438,229	18,946,227	19,703,518	20,537,835	21,577,229
Net Expenditure Proper ...	16,356,497	17,705,341	17,930,060	18,925,310	20,077,034	20,722,461
Payments to Sinking Fund...	450,602	5,632	5,688	6,504	6,868	6,819
Advances—Treasurer's Ac- count and Loan Votes ...	47,039	17,676	81,023	32,295	159,688	204,344
Public Works Fund—Statu- tory payment of $\frac{2}{3}$ of Pro- ceeds of Sale of Crown lands, less 20 per cent. ...	359,698	336,541	299,408	354,818	328,043	369,781
Payments in aid—						
Public Works Fund ...	200,000	...	200,000	235,000	235,000	250,000
Advance to Railway Loan A/c	75,000	...	...	...	...	...
(B) Total Disbursements during year ...	17,488,836	18,065,190	18,516,179	19,553,927	20,806,633	21,553,405
Surplus on Transactions of year—(A)-(B) ...	(-)1,228,380	373,039	430,048	149,591	(-)268,798	23,824

(-) Denotes deficiency.

No. 30.—Revenue per head collected by the State, 1908-1918.

Year.	Governmental.					Business Undertakings.					Total Revenue.
	Taxation.	Returned by Com- monwealth	Land Revenue.	Other Rev- enue.	Total.	Railways and Tramways.	Water and Sewer- age.	Har- bour Trust.	Total.		
1907-8	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
1908-9	0 14 1	2 6 11	1 3 4	8 11	4 13 3	3 18 0	7 2	4 3	4 9 5	9 2 8	
1909-10	0 11 7	2 3 0	1 2 10	8 3	4 5 8	3 18 8	6 10	4 3	4 9 9	8 15 5	
1910-11	0 15 4	2 1 11	1 1 8	8 11	4 7 10	4 3 6	7 1	4 3	4 14 10	9 2 8	
1911-12	0 12 6	1 3 9	1 2 5	8 6	3 7 2	4 10 6	7 2	4 7	5 2 3	8 9 5	
1912-13	1 2 2	1 4 1	1 0 10	1 6	3 18 7	4 15 0	7 7	4 10	5 7 5	9 6 0	
1913-14	0 15 10	1 4 6	1 0 7	12 10	3 13 9	4 16	1 7	10 5	1 5 9	0 9 2	
1914-15	1 5 5	1 4 6	0 19 11	11 10	4 1 8	5 5 8	8 8	5 2	5 19 6	10 1 2	
1915-16	1 11 8	1 4 7	0 18 3	10 8	4 5 2	5 3 8	9 5	5 0	5 18 1	10 3 3	
1916-17	1 13 4	1 4 7	1 0 10	8	4 8 7	5 6 11	10 1	5 3	6 2 3	10 10 10	
1917-18	1 18 11	1 4 7	0 18 9	10 9	4 13 0	5 11 6	10 5	5 6	6 7 5	10 0 5	

No. 31.—Expenditure per head by the State, 1908-18.

Year.	Governmental.				Business Undertakings.				Total Expenditure.
	Public Instruction.	Interest and Sinking Funds.	Other Services.	Total.	Railways and Tramways.*	Water and Sewer- age.*	Harbo'r Trust.*	Total.	
1907-8	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1908-9	0 13 7	0 14 10	3 12 6	5 0 11	3 9 0	6 7	3 7	3 19 2	9 0 1
1909-10	0 13 11	0 15 10	3 15 7	5 5 4	3 13 1	6 9	3 7	4 3 5	9 8 9
1910-11	0 14 4	0 15 5	3 1 4	4 11 1	3 16 10	6 8	3 7	4 7 1	8 18 2
1911-12	0 14 9	0 14 10	2 13 8	4 3 3	4 2 6	7 1	3 9	4 13 4	8 16 7
1912-13	0 16 5	0 15 8	2 18 8	4 10 9	4 8 4	7 3	3 8	4 19 3	9 10 0
1913-14	0 16 9	0 15 9	2 17 4	4 9 10	4 15 9	7 3	3 9	5 6 9	9 16 7
1914-15	0 17 7	0 11 3	2 12 8	4 1 6	5 3 9	7 11	4 0	5 15 8	9 17 2
1915-16	0 17 6	0 10 6	2 15 9	4 3 9	5 2 5	8 5	4 1	5 14 11	9 18 8
1916-17	0 18 2	0 11 5	2 18 0	4 7 7	5 8 2	9 0	4 6	6 1 8	10 9 3
1917-18	0 19 11	0 10 10	3 1 2	4 11 11	5 15 10	10 7	5 0	6 11 5	11 3 4

NOTE.—See Tables Nos. 27 and 28 for actual amounts received and expended.

* Includes payment of interest on capital expenditure.

No. 32.—Trading Banks—Liabilities.

NOTE.—Liabilities to Shareholders are not included.

Quarter ended 30th June.	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Deposits.			Balances due to other Banks.	Total Liabilities.
			Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.		
1907	1,684,746	272,347	18,704,401	23,392,858	42,097,259	83,826	44,138,178
1908	1,713,314	283,567	18,847,680	24,769,305	43,616,985	357,320	45,971,186
1909	1,659,826	298,868	18,846,211	25,834,135	44,680,346	129,093	46,768,133
1910	1,801,807	370,885	23,512,712	26,642,873	50,155,585	100,348	52,428,625
1911	1,819,180	402,760	25,985,355	29,341,683	55,327,038	206,181	57,755,159
1912	226,151	418,504	27,937,492	30,292,076	58,229,568	177,130	59,051,353
1913	142,686	431,429	26,504,388	30,777,791	57,282,179	861,270	58,717,564
1914	111,939	510,811	29,944,028	32,983,409	62,927,437	1,177,365	64,727,552
1915	95,505	419,227	33,186,317	35,031,367	68,217,684	1,236,574	69,968,990
1916	87,316	529,211	43,610,878	36,435,167	70,046,045	2,120,888	82,783,460
1917	80,765	584,564	46,599,978	37,449,286	84,049,204	1,534,805	86,249,398
1918	73,615	694,466	46,125,775	40,363,818	86,489,593	1,722,958	88,980,632

† Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank deposits which have already been included under the returns of Savings Banks—Table No. 35. On 30th June, 1918, the amount so included was £4,237,590.

No. 33.—Trading Banks—Assets.

Quarter ended 30th June.	Coin.	Bullion.	Australian Notes.	Landed Property.	Notes and Bills discounted, and all other debts due to the Banks.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	Balances due from other Banks.	Total Assets.
1907	8,966,445	162,008	.....	1,777,304	34,477,917	340,606	497,728	46,222,008
1908	9,617,962	190,432	.....	1,783,694	37,968,766	348,516	487,604	50,396,974
1909	10,096,626	222,304	.....	1,791,040	37,109,453	344,069	419,509	49,983,001
1910	12,785,389	195,204	.....	1,824,349	37,482,907	407,089	607,367	53,302,305
1911	14,327,999	196,961	1,770,751	1,871,811	42,456,515	664,320	618,467	61,906,824
1912	12,116,947	196,110	1,992,519	1,930,319	47,449,649	293,103	488,699	64,467,346
1913	11,839,977	143,723	1,854,248	1,907,555	45,147,699	365,625	1,110,028	62,428,855
1914	15,364,463	120,338	1,845,189	1,953,111	47,765,084	498,760	1,571,433	69,118,378
1915	14,711,181	117,900	7,273,320	2,108,633	51,379,741	484,435	1,322,677	77,397,887
1916	11,570,443	134,935	13,073,103	2,255,032	59,101,909	504,809	2,284,894	88,925,125
1917	11,022,375	541,657	11,766,417	2,348,946	63,031,127	534,028	1,830,955	91,084,505
1918	11,058,838	397,547	11,042,479	2,389,846	73,015,430	597,882	2,172,052	100,674,174

No. 34.—Trading Banks' Exchange Settlements, Sydney.

Year.	Amount.	Year.	Amount.
1906	220,860,512	1912	330,621,122
1907	234,169,822	1913	348,741,175
1908	227,736,243	1914	353,068,040
1909	240,645,737	1915	357,803,424
1910	274,343,666	1916	422,371,972
1911	304,488,435	1917	444,532,930
Total, 1st January to 26th August, 1918	361,698,487
27th "	1917	...	298,343,593

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No. 35.—Savings Banks.

Year ended 30th June.	Number of Depositors on 30th June.	Value of Deposits on 30th June.	Increase in Deposits during Year.	Amount Deposited on 30th June.	
				Per Depositor.	Per Inhabitant.
	No.	£	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1908	435,618	17,849,384	1,511,333	40 19 6	11 11 3
1909	444,930	19,022,151	1,172,767	42 15 1	12 1 6
1910	478,006	20,823,764	1,801,613	43 11 3	12 18 0
1911	522,251	23,381,014	2,557,250	44 15 4	14 1 5
1912	577,232	26,539,640	3,158,626	45 19 6	15 5 3
†1913	647,124	29,568,282	3,028,642	45 13 10	16 6 10
†1914	717,737	33,167,523	3,599,241	46 4 3	17 17 2
†1915	755,835	35,562,049	2,395,126	47 1 0	19 0 9
†1916	806,882	37,363,272	1,800,623	46 6 1	20 0 8
†1917	872,351	40,836,747	3,473,475	46 16 3	21 17 4
†1918	920,337	43,039,012	2,202,265	46 15 3	22 12 2

† Includes returns from Savings Bank Branch of Commonwealth Bank of Australia.

No. 36.—State Railways.

Year ended 30th June.	Miles open for traffic.	Capital expended on lines open.	Net Earnings.	Train miles run.	Net Earnings per train mile.	Passengers carried.
	No.	£	£	No.	s. d.	No.
1908	3,473	45,683,484	2,229,295	14,251,052	3 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	47,487,030
1909	3,623	47,612,666	2,075,626	15,074,144	2 9	52,051,556
1910	3,643	48,925,348	2,209,306	15,468,026	2 10 $\frac{1}{4}$	53,644,271
1911	3,761	50,971,894	2,351,144	17,006,697	2 9 $\frac{1}{4}$	60,919,628
1912	3,832	53,514,903	2,321,882	18,521,320	2 6	70,706,728
1913	3,930	57,653,778	2,104,104	19,184,247	2 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	79,490,012
1914	3,967	61,264,869	2,332,421	20,549,695	2 3 $\frac{1}{4}$	86,328,421
1915	4,134	65,583,274	2,305,349	20,420,923	2 3	88,774,451
1916	4,188	68,825,592	2,344,910	21,556,034	2 2 $\frac{1}{4}$	92,850,838
1917	4,437	72,000,621	2,404,725	20,300,717	2 5 $\frac{1}{4}$	96,709,846
1918	4,679	75,050,450	3,014,433	18,143,267	3 4	94,304,516
* June, 1918	4,679	75,050,450	805,059	5,312,996	3 0 $\frac{1}{4}$	25,737,954
,, 1917	4,437	72,006,621	517,062	5,124,603	2 0 $\frac{1}{2}$	24,805,777

* Information at end of quarter.

No. 37.—State Tramways.

Year ended 30th June.	Miles open for traffic.	Capital expended on lines open.	Net Earnings.	Tramway miles run.	Net earnings per tram mile.	Passengers carried.
	No.	£	£	No.	s. d.	No.
1908	133	3,732,991	202,929	17,521,410	0 2 $\frac{3}{4}$	172,020,932
1909	151	4,252,731	222,005	18,853,621	0 2 $\frac{3}{4}$	186,318,738
1910	166	4,668,797	201,981	20,579,386	0 2 $\frac{1}{4}$	201,151,021
1911	190	5,121,586	221,682	22,541,429	0 2 $\frac{1}{4}$	230,275,938
1912	195	5,664,324	249,980	24,362,219	0 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	266,789,546
1913	208	6,699,305	182,376	26,954,767	0 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	294,455,452
1914	212	7,628,653	265,131	28,415,476	0 2 $\frac{1}{4}$	310,592,698
1915	220	7,970,293	374,774	26,842,974	0 3 $\frac{1}{4}$	289,282,845
1916	221	8,166,423	388,978	26,451,442	0 3 $\frac{1}{2}$	292,021,774
1917	224	8,309,629	317,172	25,361,992	0 3	295,303,714
1918	225	8,470,091	389,381	21,761,244	0 4 $\frac{1}{4}$	255,740,808
* June, 1918	225	8,470,091	91,458	6,246,664	0 3 $\frac{1}{2}$	70,727,682
,, 1917	224	8,309,629	39,646	6,263,604	0 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	74,083,054

* Information at end of quarter.

No. 38.—Area under Crop.

Season ended June.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane Cut for Crushing.	Hay.	Vines. Wine-making.	Potatoes.	All Crops. *
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
1907	1,866,253	174,115	56,431	10,378	458,172	4,951	36,815	2,824,211
1908	1,390,171	160,980	75,762	9,916	542,761	4,644	31,917	2,570,137
1909	1,394,056	180,812	59,881	6,951	715,896	4,472	26,301	2,713,971
1910	1,990,180	212,797	81,452	6,480	630,664	4,561	35,725	3,174,864
1911	2,128,826	213,217	77,991	5,596	638,577	4,354	44,452	3,381,921
1912	2,380,710	167,781	71,047	5,244	654,149	4,260	43,148	3,629,170
1913	2,231,514	176,471	85,175	6,137	947,062	4,403	34,124	3,737,269
1914	3,205,397	156,820	103,416	6,198	801,130	4,498	38,725	4,568,841
1915	2,758,024	143,663	43,476	6,012	785,944	4,113	30,418	4,808,627
1916	4,188,865	154,130	58,636	6,030	1,108,919	3,501	19,589	5,794,835
1917	3,806,604	155,378	67,111	5,223	858,532	3,442	22,449	5,163,030

* The figures in this column are exclusive of areas double-cropped.

No. 39.—Production of Crops.

Season ended June.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane.	Hay.	Wine.	Potatoes.	Total value of Agricultural Production.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	gallons.	tons.	£
1907	21,817,938	5,763,000	1,404,574	221,560	621,846	1,140,000	114,856	7,517,550
1908	9,155,884	4,527,852	851,776	277,390	376,800	778,500	55,882	6,587,990
1909	15,483,276	5,216,038	1,119,558	144,760	730,014	736,262	71,794	8,318,900
1910	28,532,029	7,098,255	1,966,586	131,081	981,201	808,870	100,143	10,908,320
1911	27,913,547	7,594,130	1,702,706	160,311	843,080	805,600	121,033	9,493,060
1912	25,088,102	4,507,342	1,155,226	147,799	728,474	850,210	75,166	9,748,820
1913	32,487,336	5,111,990	1,674,075	140,914	1,108,275	719,100	91,642	11,816,790
1914	38,020,381	4,453,309	1,835,406	185,970	955,047	561,100	106,849	12,377,650
1915	12,830,530	3,174,825	513,910	181,606	613,262	549,140	40,709	10,031,760
1916	66,764,910	3,773,600	1,345,698	157,748	1,573,938	571,000	44,445	20,362,360
1917	36,598,000	4,333,480	1,084,980	143,558	1,174,050	628,950	45,331	11,487,830

No. 40.—Average Yield per acre of Crops.

Season ended June.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane.	Hay.	Wine.	Potatoes.	Value per acre.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	gallons.	tons.	£ s. d.
1907	11.7	33.1	24.9	21.34	1.36	230	3.11	2 13 3
1908	6.6	28.1	11.2	27.97	0.69	168	1.75	2 11 3
1909	11.1	28.8	18.7	20.83	1.02	165	2.73	3 1 3
1910	14.3	33.4	24.1	20.23	1.56	177	2.80	3 8 9
1911	13.1	35.6	21.8	28.65	1.32	185	2.72	2 16 2
1912	10.5	26.9	16.3	28.18	1.11	200	1.74	2 13 9
1913	14.6	29.0	19.7	22.96	1.17	163	2.68	3 3 3
1914	11.9	28.4	17.7	30.00	1.19	125	2.76	2 14 2
1915	4.7	22.1	11.8	30.21	0.78	134	1.34	2 1 9
1916	15.9	24.5	23.0	26.16	1.42	163	2.27	3 10 3
Av'ge for 10 years	11.8	29.4	19.0	25.37	1.17	172	2.41	2 17 9
1917	9.6	27.9	16.2	27.49	1.37	183	2.02	2 4 6

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No. 41.—Live Stock.

Period.	Horses.	Cattle.		Sheep.	Pigs.
		Dairy Cows.*	All other.		
31st Dec., 1906	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
	537,762	713,049	1,836,895	44,132,421	243,370
	578,326	756,916	1,994,277	44,461,839	216,145
	591,045	777,149	2,178,785	43,370,797	215,822
	604,784	794,549	2,233,178	46,202,578	237,849
	650,636	866,030	2,274,277	45,560,969	321,632
	1911	689,004	894,744	2,299,492	371,093
	1912	716,457	852,782	2,188,052	293,653
	1913	746,170	822,667	2,000,073	39,850,223
	30th June, 1915	733,341	850,957	1,626,635	288,090
	1916	719,542	835,719	1,570,051	33,009,038
	1917	733,791	854,632	1,911,311	32,600,729
				36,196,383	286,704
					281,158
					359,763

* The figures for the last ten years are made up as follow:—

Period.	Milch Cows.	Dry Dairy Cows	Heifers within 3 months of calving.	Total Dairy Cows.
31st Dec., 1907	506,395	206,828	43,693	756,916
1908	527,843	208,840	40,466	777,149
1909	566,378	189,507	38,664	794,549
1910	632,786	193,657	39,587	866,030
1911	638,525	218,593	37,626	894,744
1912	620,730	201,310	30,742	852,782
1913	600,420	189,769	32,478	822,653
30th June, 1915	426,173	344,247	80,537	850,957
1916	426,227	317,368	92,124	855,719
1917	424,033	319,230	111,369	854,632

No. 42.—Production—Pastoral and Dairying.

Year.	Wool (as in the grease).	Tallow.	Butter.	Cheese.	Bacon and Hams.
1906	lb.	cwt.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1907	325,441,000	487,830	58,941,137	5,389,345	11,843,595
1908	367,446,000	490,430	60,041,449	4,586,857	10,358,526
1909	338,129,000	420,630	61,380,876	4,763,360	9,488,299
1910	370,808,000	640,110	62,865,608	4,775,268	9,931,377
1911	415,338,000	742,200	76,624,830	5,191,089	12,620,067
1912	371,546,000	729,330	83,204,568	5,460,652	16,102,827
1913	326,804,000	568,500	76,609,528	5,454,685	16,526,376
1914	357,985,000	795,020	77,779,197	6,620,648	15,192,263
Jan. to June, 1914	131,810,000*	348,680*	42,427,000*	2,882,000*	6,587,000*
1914-15	318,935,000	711,850	84,134,280	6,356,627	15,327,948
1915-16	262,045,000	274,000	59,631,543	5,979,636	13,576,941
1916-17	270,525,000	379,660	79,364,471	7,830,239	15,788,156

*Partly estimated.

No. 43.—Persons employed permanently in Rural Occupations.

Year ended 30th June.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Year ended 30th June.	Males.	Females.	Total.
	No.	No.	No.		No.	No.	No.
1906	111,625	19,817	131,442	1912	129,174	25,204	154,378
1907	117,522	21,341	138,863	1913	127,414	24,218	151,632
1908	120,106	20,809	140,915	1914	128,029	25,428	153,457
1909	119,836	22,317	142,153	1915	122,510	23,792	146,302
1910	123,769	22,573	146,342	1916	119,277	24,147	143,424
1911	126,548	24,632	151,180	1917	116,092	26,077	142,169

No. 44.—Average Prices in London of New South Wales Produce—Monthly.

Month.	Wheat.	Flour.	Butter† (Finest Quality).		Wool.		Tallow.
			Average Top.	Average Bottom.	Greasy.	Scoured.	
August, 1917	per qr. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.	per cwt. s.	per cwt. s.	per lb. d.	per lb. s. d.	per cwt. s. d.
September, "	84 0	28 18 6	20 4 ½	...	18 ½	2 2 ½	49 11
October, "	77 6	*	206	...	+	+	...
November, "	79 0	*	206	...	+	+	...
December, "	79 0	*	220	...	+	+	...
January, 1918	80 6	*	252	...	+	+	...
February, "	*	*	252	...	+	+	...
March, "	*	*	252	...	+	+	...
April, "	*	*	252	...	+	+	...
May, "	*	*	252	...	+	+	...
June, "	*	*	252	...	+	+	...
July, "	*	*	252	...	+	+	...
August, "	*	*	252	...	+	+	...

* No quotations.

† Average price for Australian Butter only. No separate quote received for N.S. Wales Butter.

§ Proclaimed price.

‡ Not available.

¶ Government flat rate for all imported butter.

No. 45.—Average Wholesale Prices in Sydney of N.S.W. Agricultural and Dairy Produce—Monthly.

Month.	Wheat (Milling).*	Flour (In 150 lb. bags).	Bran.	Pollard.	Oats.	Maize.	Hay (Oaten).	
							per bushel. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.
August, 1917	4 9	11 0 0	9 6	13 2	3 3 ½	3 11 3 ½	4 17	6
September, "	4 9	11 0 0	9 6	13 2	3 4 ½	4 4 ½	5 1	3
October, "	4 9	11 0 0	9 6	13 2	3 6 ½	4 5 ½	4 5	9
November, "	4 9	11 0 0	9 6	13 2	3 6 ½	4 6 ½	5 6	9
December, "	4 9	11 0 0	9 6	13 2	3 8 ½	5 2 ½	6 3	3
January, 1918	4 9	11 0 0	9 6	13 2	3 5 ½	5 3 ½	5 0	0
February, "	4 9	11 0 0	9 6	13 2	3 7 ½	5 3 ½	4 15	0
March, "	4 9	11 0 0	9 6	13 2	4 0 ½	5 2 ½	5 0	0
April, "	4 9	11 0 0	9 6	13 2	4 4 ½	4 11 ½	4 16	9
May, "	4 9	11 0 0	9 6	13 2	4 11 ½	4 10	4 14	3
June, "	4 9	11 0 0	9 6	13 2	4 1 ½	4 10 ½	7 0	0
July, "	4 9	11 0 0	9 6	13 2	4 11 ½	5 8	7 14	0
August, "	4 9	11 0 0	9 6	13 2	5 0	5 9 ½	5 11	9
	Potatoes (Local).	Butter (Good Brands)	Cheese (Prime).	Bacon (Sides).	Lard (Bulk).	Eggs.		
						"Norths and Souths."	New Laid.	
	per ton. £ s. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per doz. s. d.	per doz. s. d.	
August, 1917	6 13 3	17	9 ½	11 ½	10 ½	0 11	1 0 ½	
September, "	6 1 9	16 ½	10 ½	12	10 ½	0 10	0 11 ½	
October, "	7 18 3	16 ½	11 ½	12	10 ½	0 9 ½	0 10 ½	
November, "	5 14 3	16	10 ½	12	10 ½	0 9 ½	1 0	
December, "	4 6 9	16	9 ½	12	10 ½	0 10 ½	1 1 ½	
January, 1918	5 15 0	16	9	12	9 ½	0 11 ½	1 3 ½	
February, "	5 0 0	16	9 ½	12 ½	8 ½	1 1 ½	1 7 ½	
March, "	6 13 3	16	9 ½	13	9 ½	1 5	1 10 ½	
April, "	5 3 3	16	9 ½	13	9 ½	1 8 ½	2 4 ½	
May, "	4 15 0	16	10	12 ½	9 ½	1 11 ½	2 5 ½	
June, "	4 16 3	17	10 ½	12	10	1 11 ½	2 1 ½	
July, "	5 2 6	17 ½	10 ½	12	10	1 5	1 6 ½	
August, "	6 0 0	17 ½	10 ½	11 ½	10	1 0 ½	1 2	

* Since the 25th March, 1916, the official f.o.b. price of wheat for flour for home consumption has been 4s. 10 ½ d. per bushel.

This includes 3 ½ d. handling and commission charges; but city millers, handling grain for their own mills, obtain it for 1 ½ d. per bushel less than the f.o.b. price, so that since that date the price of wheat for flour for home consumption has been 4s. 9d. per bushel (on trucks), Sydney.

† Amended since last issue.

No. 46.—Gold produced, January to August.

Gold yield during the years 1917 and 1918.

Month.	1918.		1917.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
January to July	oz. fine.	£	oz. fine.	£
...	50,598	214,928	50,274	213,551
August	4,978	21,143	4,876	20,710
Total for eight months	55,576	236,071	55,150	234,261

No. 47.—Quantity and Value of Minerals produced, 1916 and 1917.

Minerals.	1916.		1917.		Increase in Value.	Decrease in Value.
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.		
Metallic—						
Gold ... oz. fine	108,145	459,370	82,171	349,038	.....	110,332
Silver "	2,801,507	349,367	1,782,004	328,241	.....	21,126
Silver—Lead, Ore, Concentrates, &c. ... ton	249,849	2,935,624	234,881	4,165,324	1,229,700	.....
Lead—Pig, &c. "	25,466	799,632	20,817	616,531	.....	183,101
Zinc Spelter & Concentrates,,	209,741	961,849	113,531	441,486	.....	520,363
Tin Ingots and Ore ... "	2,129	306,497	2,072	373,696	67,199	.....
Copper, Matte, Ingots, and Ore "	6,171	586,127	6,576	814,154	228,027	.....
Antimony and Ore ... "	616	13,334	301	3,738	.....	9,596
Bismuth "	30	5,473	20	9,391	3,918	.....
Wolfram "	183	31,163	118	21,682	.....	9,481
Scheelite "	81	13,719	127	23,419	9,700	.....
Molybdenite "	54	22,066	70	31,608	9,542	.....
Platinum oz.	82	687	259	2,072	1,385	.....
Iron ton	52,556	197,085	45,025	247,637	50,552	.....
Iron Oxide "	2,461	2,695	1,431	1,267	.....	1,428
Ironstone Flux... ... "	1,472	1,083	4,482	3,498	2,415	.....
Non-metallic—						
Coal ton	8,127,161	3,336,419	8,292,867	4,422,740	1,086,321	.....
Coke "	437,587	387,571	455,587	541,093	153,522	.....
Kerosene Shale "	17,425	17,772	31,661	36,565	18,793	.....
Alunite "	325	1,980	1,788	10,728	8,748	.....
Limestone Flux "	64,928	20,700	74,440	25,746	5,046	.....
Marble ... ... ...	.....	1,625	.....	770	.....	855
Diamonds carat	1,901	1,375	2,991	2,006	631	.....
Opal ... ... ... "	.....	21,273	.....	12,522	.....	8,751
Sundry Minerals ... ...	.....	41,370	.....	79,521	38,151	.....
Total ... ... £	.....	10,515,856	.....	12,564,473	2,048,617	.....

NOTE.—The above table does not include lime and Portland cement, valued at £459,866 and £388,246 respectively, in 1916 and 1917. Those items are included in the manufacturing returns.

No. 48.—Value of Minerals Produced, and Total Miners Employed.

Year.	Gold.	Silver, Silver-lead, and Ore.	Copper.	Tin.	Coal.	Total Minerals Produced.	Total Miners Employed.
1907	£1,050,730	3,915,946	727,774	293,305	2,922,419	£10,295,290	43,758
1908	954,854	2,160,195	502,812	205,447	3,353,093	8,384,149	38,965
1909	869,546	1,653,615	424,737	211,029	2,618,596	7,403,210	36,405
1910	802,211	1,861,479	486,257	228,156	3,009,657	8,455,170	37,413
1911	769,353	2,442,764	590,102	307,089	3,167,165	9,409,519	37,017
1912	702,129	3,481,266	579,791	338,074	3,660,015	11,228,677	37,858
1913	635,703	3,808,125	598,733	421,292	3,770,375	11,651,407	38,880
1914	528,873	3,241,263	274,671	267,130	3,737,761	10,038,020	36,467
1915	562,819	2,631,662	234,437	206,780	3,424,630	9,603,230	31,411
1916	459,370	3,284,991	586,127	306,497	3,336,419	10,515,856	31,304
1917	349,038	4,493,565	814,154	373,696	4,422,740	12,564,473	32,817

No. 49.—Price Levels.

The index numbers are calculated on the f.o.b. prices, Sydney, of principal articles of domestic produce exported. The average prices of the whole year 1901 are adopted as basis, and called 1,000.

Period.	General Index— all articles.	Index of Pastoral Products—Wool, Tallow, Hides, Leather, &c.	Index of Metals—Silver Lead, Copper, Tin.
1917.			
August	2,128	2,204
September	2,081	1,990
October	2,014	2,036
November	2,223	2,482
December	2,264	2,424
1918.			
January	2,201	2,423
February	2,253	2,545
March	2,139	2,324
April	2,114	2,185
May	2,246	2,409
June	2,226	2,371
July	2,185	2,259
August	2,330	2,496

No. 50.—Manufactories.

Year.	Number of Establish- ments.	Persons Employed.			Value of Plant and Machinery.	Total Wages Paid.	Value of Output.
		Males.	Females.	Total.			
1906	3,861	59,979	17,843	77,822	£8,407,337	£5,591,888	£34,796,169
1907	4,432 ²	65,953	20,514	86,467	9,155,772	6,650,715	40,018,301
1908	4,453	67,616	21,482	89,098	9,718,842	7,218,556	40,163,826
1909	4,581	69,184	22,518	91,702	10,330,724	7,665,125	42,960,689
1910	4,821	75,384	24,327	99,711	11,578,620	8,687,007	49,615,643
1911	5,039	82,083	26,541	108,624	12,510,600	10,047,662	54,346,011
1912	5,162	88,178	27,383	115,561	13,795,195	11,592,052	61,163,328
1913	5,346	93,036	27,364	120,400	14,861,676	12,683,384	65,672,495
1914-15	5,269	90,409	26,202	116,611	16,866,982	12,667,721	68,253,332
1915-16	5,210	87,724	28,677	116,401	18,211,104	13,413,845	70,989,864
*1916-17	5,356	88,910	29,087	117,997	20,364,122	*14,381,309	85,944,320

* See also Table 51.

† Of this amount, males received £12,727,172, and females £1,654,137.

No. 51.—Manufacturing Industries, 1916-17.

Class of Industry.	Establishments.	Persons Employed.			Salaries and Wages.
		Males.	Females.	Total.	
No.	No.	No.	No.	£	
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	256	3,558	101	3,659	456,731
Oils and Fats—Animal, Vegetable, &c.	38	1,027	274	1,301	150,175
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c.	278	5,235	86	5,321	668,512
Working in Wood	645	7,017	94	7,111	856,466
Metal Works, Machinery, &c.	599	26,625	405	27,090	4,239,046
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	787	11,427	4,093	15,520	1,849,842
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Materials	1,035	7,197	19,011	26,208	2,052,531
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving	455	6,953	2,576	9,529	1,181,368
Musical Instruments, &c.	13	382	49	431	58,873
Arms and Explosives	5	1,350	4	1,354	239,492
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	434	3,983	154	4,137	462,983
Ship and Boat Building	35	4,165	20	4,185	674,056
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery	253	3,105	531	3,636	392,566
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products	113	1,053	759	1,812	196,135
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments	17	106	41	147	17,336
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Platedware	52	599	90	689	89,171
Heat, Light, and Power	222	3,645	31	3,676	586,526
Leatherware, n.e.i.	25	418	184	602	57,793
Minor Wares, n.e.i.	94	1,065	524	1,589	151,797
Total	5,356	88,910	29,087	117,997	14,381,309†
	Value of Machinery, Implements, and Plant,	Value of Materials used.	Value of Fuel Consumed.	Value of Goods Manufactured or work done.	Value of Production, being value added to Raw Materials.
	£	£	£	£	£
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	437,304	6,439,773†	59,005	7,714,062	1,215,284
Oils and Fats—Animal, Vegetable, &c.	362,421	1,537,066	35,014	2,030,059	457,979
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c.	1,193,383	438,279	208,707	1,785,329	1,138,343
Working in Wood	847,592	2,212,511	28,792	3,549,616	1,308,313
Metal Works, Machinery, &c.	5,660,149	13,377,135	567,186	21,420,189	7,475,868
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	3,846,352	23,058,427	272,132	28,047,685	4,717,126
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Materials	628,999	4,381,167	54,874	7,800,275	3,364,234
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving	1,281,310	1,532,211	41,586	3,504,378	1,930,581
Musical Instruments, &c.	14,511	100,471	851	192,585	91,263
Arms and Explosives	144,913	59,268	4,874	406,470	342,334
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	166,922	452,551	14,531	1,124,913	657,831
Ship and Boat Building	1,200,586	366,483	21,226	1,084,808	697,099
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery	87,507	633,017	10,530	1,190,923	547,376
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products	248,776	986,603	16,640	1,656,748	653,505
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments	7,930	16,720	239	48,385	31,426
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Platedware	27,913	108,486	2,058	238,247	127,703
Heat, Light, and Power	4,084,161	763,953	419,850	3,219,135	2,035,332
Leatherware, n.e.i.	13,780	217,608	1,135	326,008	107,265
Minor Wares, n.e.i.	109,613	362,938	7,434	604,499	234,127
Total	£20,364,122	57,044,667	1,766,664	85,944,320	27,132,989†

* If £385,064, the value of production of articles already included in primary industries, be deducted, the total value of the production from the manufacturing industries is £26,747,925.

† Including value of wool treated.

‡ Of this amount, males received £12,727,172, and females £1,654,137.

No. 52.—Manufactories—Value of Production, 1901–1917.

Class of Industry.	1901. (Census Year)	1911.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-1917
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	337,739	649,759	747,916	929,520	1,215,284
Oils and Fats, &c.	160,718	266,094	293,626	380,501	457,979
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c.	422,272	1,083,972	1,324,104	1,234,212	1,138,343
Working in Wood	649,149	1,168,333	1,298,120	1,158,515	1,308,313
Metal Works, Machinery, &c.	2,443,432	4,864,882	6,154,527	7,127,261	7,475,668
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	2,237,309	3,403,455	4,712,822	4,041,122	4,332,062
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Materials	1,091,244	2,517,100	2,811,056	3,179,399	3,304,234
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving	950,771	1,440,173	1,542,454	1,783,919	1,930,581
Musical Instruments, &c.	22,309	70,590	75,316	78,570	91,263
Arms and Explosives	1,480	2,531	108,322	293,308	342,334
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	206,016	607,307	633,91	688,784	657,831
Ship and Boat Building	148,800	379,490	708,398	590,082	697,099
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery	220,434	516,082	558,190	544,313	547,376
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products	74,006	400,454	488,592	555,464	653,505
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments	17,304	19,172	18,570	23,104	31,420
Jewellery, Time-pieces, and Plated-ware	24,698	125,261	130,652	137,849	127,703
Heat, Light, and Power	624,567	1,373,532	2,058,987	1,861,874	2,035,332
Leatherware, n.e.i.	12,243	67,373	98,238	105,779	107,265
Minor Wares, n.e.i.	37,047	129,837	183,123	233,402	234,127
Total	£ 9,741,598	£ 19,142,463	£ 24,011,006	£ 24,927,038	£ 26,747,925

NOTE.—The value of production from factories dealing with milk products is omitted, as it has already been included in the returns of the Dairying Industry.

No. 53.—Value of Production—Principal Industries—1891–1916–17

The following figures represent the estimated Value of Production from the various Industries at the place of production. The figures are not exact, but are considered the best approximations from the data available.

(In thousands, 000 omitted.)

Year.	General	Agricultural	Mining	Dairying	Minor—Poultry, Bees, Rabbits	Forests and Fisheries	Total Primary Industries	Manufacturing (Value added to raw materials)	Total All Industries
1891	14,725	3,615	6,434	2,735	*	758	28,267	7,799	36,066
1896	11,774	5,374	4,465	2,546	*	715	24,874	7,302	32,176
1897	11,823	6,250	4,616	2,653	*	750	26,092	8,079	34,171
1898	13,219	4,875	4,756	2,758	*	800	26,408	8,425	34,833
1899	14,527	5,609	5,960	2,543	*	639	29,278	9,207	38,485
1900	13,707	5,856	6,362	3,617	*	796	30,338	9,656	39,994
1901	12,552	7,060	5,681	3,046	*	733	29,072	9,742	38,814
1902	10,731	4,139	5,102	3,403	*	695	24,070	10,000	34,070
1903	12,777	8,359	5,958	3,276	*	779	31,149	9,601	40,750
1904	13,373	5,414	6,243	2,753	799	900	29,482	9,899	39,381
1905	17,113	6,543	6,897	3,123	1,228	1,190	36,094	10,631	46,725
1906	19,743	7,518	7,913	3,425	1,693	1,536	41,828	11,906	53,734
1907	22,281	6,588	10,295	3,567	1,708	1,382	45,821	13,481	59,302
1908	18,846	8,319	8,384	4,064	1,732	1,165	42,510	13,633	56,143
1909	19,040	10,908	7,403	3,983	1,990	1,096	44,420	14,536	58,956
1910	21,028	9,493	8,455	4,796	2,119	1,108	46,999	16,794	63,793
1911	19,434	9,749	9,410	5,215	2,055	1,195	47,058	19,143	66,201
1912	19,440	11,817	11,229	5,758	2,089	1,303	51,636	22,464	74,100
1913	20,738	12,378	11,651	5,455	2,416	1,400	54,038	23,482	77,520
1914-15	18,848	10,031	9,603	6,231	2,301	1,307	48,321	24,011	72,332
1915-16	21,576	20,362	10,516	5,473	3,215	1,370	62,512	24,927	87,439
1916-17	26,842	11,488	12,564	7,478	3,395	1,282	63,049	26,748	89,797

* Prior to 1904 included with the Dairying Industry.

No. 54.—Education.

Year.	Public Schools.				Private Schools.		
	No. of Schools.	No. of Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Expenditure by State on Education.	No. of Schools.	No. of Teachers.	No. of Scholars.
1907	2,918	5,918	209,229	922,295	806	3,524	57,440
1908	3,002	6,012	214,495	1,085,020	792	3,501	57,111
1909	3,075	6,176	213,739	1,109,939	789	3,633	58,361
1910	3,105	6,262	214,776	1,191,713	774	3,602	59,247
1911	3,125	6,517	221,810	1,242,576	756	3,659	60,963
1912	3,234	7,048	228,529	1,589,986	754	3,673	61,744
1913	3,285	7,261	241,784	1,686,155	733	3,593	64,591
1914	3,258	7,404	252,697	1,721,441	717	3,674	64,577
1915	3,254	7,890	258,017	1,686,882	718	3,682	64,863
1916	3,188	7,830	264,713	1,860,518	701	3,678	67,704
1917	3,221	8,228	277,874	*	*	*	*

* Not yet available.

No. 55.—Postal Communication.

Year.	Post Offices open.	Letters and Letter Cards carried.	Post Cards carried.	Newspapers carried.	Packets, Books, and Parcels carried.	Miles of Telegraph and Telephone Line.	Telegrams transmitted.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1906	2,288	115,062,748	12,621,096	47,144,094	25,201,131	15,417	4,452,506
1907	2,319	122,130,948	15,097,710	48,340,646	37,191,554	15,910	4,894,283
1908	2,368	134,684,520	14,969,312	50,461,252	38,330,311	16,338	5,149,763
1909	2,397	139,058,694	12,511,546	56,002,764	38,849,363	17,087	5,177,962
1910	2,437	151,315,512	12,438,544	66,963,559	40,609,036	17,615	5,607,178
1911	2,490	*189,656,401		71,619,194	38,032,322	18,253	5,863,560
1912	2,559	*192,996,376		68,696,648	34,755,556	18,268	6,364,990
1913	2,596	*212,639,659		64,874,811	40,902,342	19,254	6,573,667
1914	2,623	*217,907,644		66,216,699	36,576,538	20,828	6,703,019
1915-16	2,640	*219,525,661		72,067,335	35,881,119	†	7,027,084
1916-17	2,588	*259,185,729		68,546,782	31,136,805	†	7,152,913

* Includes all articles registered.

† Not available.

No. 56.—Prices of Food—Sydney.

Article.	Unit.	Average Retail Price in Sydney.									
		1918.						1917.		1916.	
		Mar.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	August.	August.	August.	August.
Bread	2-lb. loaf.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Flour	25-lb. bag.	0 4	0 4	0 4	0 4	0 4	0 4	0 4	0 4	0 4	0 4
" self-raising ...	2 lb.	3 6·7	3 6·7	3 6·7	3 7·4	3 7·4	3 7·4	3 5·4	3 5·4	3 5·4	3 5·4
Tea	lb.	1 6·5	1 6·5	1 6·5	1 6·7	1 6·7	1 7	1 6·2	1 6·2	1 6·2	1 6·2
Coffee and Chicory ...	"	1 6·2	1 6	1 6·2	1 6·2	1 6	1 6	1 6	1 6	1 6	1 6
Cocoa	½ lb.	0 6·1	0 5·7	0 5·6	0 6·2	0 7·4	0 7·9	0 5·6	0 4·6	0 4·6	0 4·6
Sugar (small quantities)	lb.	0 3·5	0 3·5	0 3·5	0 3·5	0 3·5	0 3·5	0 3·5	0 3·5	0 3·5	0 3·5
Rice	"	0 3·4	0 3·4	0 3·3	0 3·3	0 3·3	0 3·3	0 3·4	0 3·2	0 3·2	0 3·2
Sago	"	0 4·6	0 4·6	0 4·5	0 4·7	0 4·9	0 4·7	0 3·9	0 3·5	0 3·5	0 3·5
Jam (Australian) ...	"	0 5·7	0 5·7	0 5·7	0 5·7	0 5·7	0 6	0 5·7	0 6	0 6	0 6
Oatmeal	5 lb. bag.	1 2·3	1 5·6	1 5·7	1 7·3	1 7·2	1 6·9	1 1·4	1 1·4	1 1·4	1 1·4
Raisins	lb.	0 7·6	0 7·6	0 7·7	0 8·2	0 8·5	0 8·5	0 7·7	0 8·1	0 8·1	0 8·1
Currots	"	0 8·1	0 8·1	0 8·5	0 8·7	0 9	0 9	0 8·2	0 9	0 9	0 9
Starch	"	0 6·7	0 6·9	0 6·9	0 7	0 7	0 7	0 7	0 7·1	0 6·4	0 6·4
Blue	doz. sqs.	1 0·9	1 5	1 5	1 5	1 5	1 5	1 5	0 9·6	0 9·2	0 9·2
Candles	lb.	0 10·2	0 10·1	0 10·1	0 10·4	0 10·6	0 10·6	0 10·6	0 9·4	0 8·2	0 8·2
Soap	"	0 4·1	0 4·1	0 4·1	0 4·6	0 4·6	0 4·6	0 4·1	0 3·5	0 3·5	0 3·5
Potatoes	14 lb.	1 4·5	1 3	1 5	1 2·5	1 2·5	1 3·6	1 5	1 5	1 5	1 5
Onions	lb.	0 1·7	0 1·7	0 2·7	0 2·7	0 2·7	0 2·9	0 2	0 1	0 1	0 1
Kerosene	gallon.	2 1·2	2 3·3	2 3·3	2 3·3	2 3·3	2 3·3	1 10·9	1 7·4	1 7·4	1 7·4
Milk	quart.	0 6	0 6	0 6	0 6	0 6	0 6	0 6	0 6	0 6	0 6
Butter	lb.	1 6·1	1 5·9	1 5·8	1 6·9	1 7·4	1 7·7	1 7·7	1 6	1 6	1 6
Cheese (new & matured) ...	"	0 11·7	1 0·1	1 1·6	1 2	1 2	1 2	1 1·6	1 1·1	1 1·1	1 1·1
Eggs, new laid ...	doz.	2 4·2	2 9·7	2 10·4	2 5·2	1 9·6	1 4·5	1 3·3	1 6	1 6	1 6
" fresh	"	2 1·2	2 6·7	2 7·4	2 2·2	1 6·6	1 1·5	1 0·3	1 3·3	1 3·3	1 3·3
Bacon (middle cut) ...	lb.	1 5·1	1 5·1	1 4·9	1 4·7	1 4·6	1 4·2	1 3·6	1 2·2	1 2·2	1 2·2
" (shoulder) ...	"	0 11·8	0 11·8	0 11·4	0 11·3	0 11·3	0 11·0	0 10·7	0 10·6	0 10·6	0 10·6
Ham	"	1 6·6	1 6·6	1 6·4	1 5·4	1 5·5	1 4·8	1 4·9	1 1·9	1 1·9	1 1·9
Beef, fresh—Sirloin ...	"	0 10·7	0 10·2	0 10·1	0 9·7	0 9·7	0 8	0 11·7	0 11·5	0 11·5	0 11·5
" Ribs	"	0 9·6	0 9·2	0 9	0 8·9	0 8·9	0 8	0 9·9	0 9·5	0 9·5	0 9·5
" Gravy	"	0 8·4	0 8	0 7·8	0 7·5	0 7·2	0 5·6	0 8	0 7·5	0 7·5	0 7·5
Steak—Rump ...	"	1 3·1	1 3	1 3	1 3	1 2·6	1 1	1 3·4	1 1·5	1 1·5	1 1·5
" Shoulder ...	"	0 9·1	0 9	0 8·5	0 8·1	0 8·5	0 8	0 9·6	0 8·5	0 8·5	0 8·5
Beef (corned round) ...	"	0 9·2	0 9·2	0 9	0 9	0 9	0 8	0 10·5	0 9·8	0 9·8	0 9·8
Mutton—Leg ...	"	0 8	0 7·7	0 7·5	0 7·5	0 7·5	0 7·5	0 8·7	0 7·7	0 7·7	0 7·7
" Shoulder ...	"	0 7	0 6·7	0 6·7	0 6·5	0 6·2	0 6	0 7·7	0 7·3	0 7·3	0 7·3
" Loin ...	"	0 8·7	0 8·5	0 8·6	0 8·7	0 8·5	0 7·5	0 9·7	0 8	0 8	0 8
" Neck ...	"	0 7·4	0 7	0 6·9	0 6·9	0 6·9	0 6·5	0 7·9	0 7·1	0 7·1	0 7·1
Chops—Loin ...	"	0 9·6	0 9·9	0 10	0 10	0 10	0 9	0 10·3	0 8·9	0 8·9	0 8·9
" Leg ...	"	0 8·9	0 8·5	0 8·6	0 8·7	0 8·7	0 9	0 10·8	0 8·8	0 8·8	0 8·8
" Neck ...	"	0 7·3	0 6·9	0 6·7	0 7·1	0 7·1	0 6·1	0 8·3	0 7·5	0 7·5	0 7·5
Lamb—Forequarter ...	"	0 8·7	0 8·2	0 8	0 8	0 8	0 7	0 9	0 7·8	0 7·8	0 7·8
" Hindquarter ...	"	0 10·1	0 10	0 10·1	0 10·1	0 9·7	0 9·5	0 10	0 8	0 8	0 8
Pork, fresh—Leg ...	"	1 1·7	1 0	1 0	1 0	1 0	1 1·8	1 1·5	1 0	1 0	1 0
" Chops ...	"	1 3·5	1 3	1 3	1 2·6	1 2·5	1 2	1 4·1	1 0	1 0	1 0

NOTE.—The above averages are based on city prices; the suburban rates are higher. Prices of Groceries represent the predominant rates ruling about the 15th of each month.

No. 57.—Rates of Wages.

Aerated Water Factory Hands, adult males, 60/- per week; adult females, 32/- per week.

Bakers (bread)—70/- to 75/- per week; (apprentices), 12/- to 37/- per week; (biscuit factories), 60/- to 67/- per week.

Blacksmiths, 1/- per hour.

Boilermakers—1/- per hour, 1d. per hour additional, dirt money.

Bookbinders, 70/- per week.

Boot & Shoe makers—Male, 1/- per hr.; females, 34/- to 42/- per week.

Brass Finishers, 1/5½ per hour.

Bread-carters (42 to 54 h'rs per w'k), 60/- per w'k.

Bricklayers, 1/9 per hour.

Brick-carters, 1 horse, 55/- per week; 2 horses, 60/- per week; 3 horses, 67/-; 4 horses, 75/-; 4/- per week extra for each additional horse.

Brickmakers—

Burners, 1½/- per shift; machine men, 1½/- per hr.; setter, 1½/- per hr.; pitmen, 1½/- per hr.

Brushmakers—Male, 1/5 per hour, or 66/- per week; females, 10d. per hour or 32/- per week; or piece-work rates.

Butchers—Shopman, 70/-; carter, 60/-.

Slaughtermen—Mutton, 33/- per hundred; Beef, £5 per week; Pork, £5 per week.

Carpenters and Joiners, 1/8 per hour.

Cabinetmakers, 67/- per week.

Chairmakers, 67/- per week.

Cigarmakers, 2½ to 7/6 per 100, acc'dg to shape.

Clerks—Males, 63/-; females, 35/- per week.

Junior (16 to 23 years)—Males, 12/- to 63/-; females, 12/6 to 35/- per week.

Coach-painters, 1/4½ per hour.

Coachsmiths, 1/4½ per hour.

Coal and coke lumpers, 2/- per hour, day work; 3/- per hour, night work.

Compositors (hand)—Journeymen, 73/6 per week.

Piece-work, 1½ to 1/3½ per 1,000 ens.

Compositors (machine)—Linotype (newspapers), (piece rate) 3½d., (jobbing), 3½d. per 1,000 ens.

Operators, 1/8 to 1/9 per hour.

Coppersmiths, 1/8 per hour.

Drapers. (See "Shop Assistants.")

Dressmakers, 27/6 to 35/- per week.

Electricians—Mechanics, 1/8½ per hour; Fitters, 1/8½ per hour.

Engine-drivers (staty., &c.), 1/4½ to 1/8 per hour. Firemen, 1/3½ to 1/4½, per hr.

Farriers—Firemen, 76/- per week.

Floormen, 70/-, "

Fitters, Turners (Engineering) 1/7½ per hour.

French-polishers, 67/- per week.

Grocers. (See "Shop Assistants.")

Hairdressers (52 hours per week), 63/-.

Hotel, Club, Restaurant, Tea Room Employees—Cooks (male), 44/3 to 70/- per week.

Cooks (female), 30/- to 3-fifths rate for males, per week.

Waiters, 41/6 to 45/- per week.
Waitresses, 18/- to 26/- per week.
Barmen, 41/6 per week.
Barmaids, 29/- per week.
Storemen, 4½ to 55/- per week.
Kitchenmen, 41/6 to 45/- per week.

Hotel employees provided with board, or 14s. per week additional in lieu thereof.

Ironmongers. (See "Shop Assistants.")

Ironworkers, 1/5½ per hour.

Jam Factory Workers—

Males, adults, 54/-; boys, 20/- to 36/- per week, according to age.

Females, adults, 23/-; girls, 17/-; female fillers, 25/- and 33/- per week.

Labourers—Builders', 1/4 to 1/6; General, 1/3 to 1/6 per hour.

Letter-press Machinists, 56/- and 62/6 per wk.

Lithographers, 70/- and 75/- per week.

Marble-workers, 1/5½ and 1/7½ per hour.

Masons and Stone-cutters, 1/9½ per hour.

Navvies, 1/4 per hour.

Painters (General), 1/6½ per hour.

Patternmakers, 1/8½ per hour.

Plasterers, 1/9 per hour.

Plumbers, 1/8 per hour.

Quarrymen, 1/8 per hour.

Saw-mill Employees—Machinists, 6½ to 75/-; Saw Sharpeners, 72/-; Sawyers, 60/- to 72/- per week.

Shop Assistants (Metropolitan) Grocers, Tobacco-nists, &c., Males, 10/- to 65/-; Females, 7/6 to 43/9 according to age.

Shop Assistants (Metropolitan) Drapers, Iron-mongers, &c., adults—Males, 57/- to 66/6 per week.

Females, 27/6 to 38/6 per week.

Slaters and Tilers, 1/9 per hour.

Stevedores—Foremen, £4 and £5 per week.

Storemen, per week—Wharf, 61/6: Wool, 62/- to 67/6; Bonded Store, 60/-; Hardware, 58/6; Packer, 60/-; Wine and Spirit Storemen, 56/6.

Tailors—Journeymen, 65/- to 82/6 per week, or log rates.

Cutters, 72/6 and 82/6 per week.

Pressers, 64/- per week.

Piece-work—log rates.

Tailoresses (coat hands), order, 29/6 to 40/- per week.

(trousers hands), order, 28/- to 34/- p. wk.

Ready-made clothing for men—

Journeywomen on coats, 29/6 p. wk.
Journeywomen on trousers and vests, 28/- per week.

Piece-work—log rates.

Textile Workers—Males, 55/6.

Tinsmiths, 1/5½ per hour.

Trolley and Draymen—Coal Carters—1 horse, 62/- per week; 2 horses, 67/- per week; 3/- per week for each extra horse.

Timber-carters, 1 horse, 60/6; 2 horses, 65/6; 3 horses, 69/-; 4 horses, 72/6 per week.

Casual Drivers—1 horse, 11/1 per day, with 1/- per day extra for each additional horse.

Tip-carters, 1 horse, 60/- to 62/6; 2 horses, 65/- to 67/6 per week; 8d. per day extra for each additional horse.

Upholsterers, 67/- per week.

Wharf Labourers—Casual employees, 1/9 per hour; constant or weekly hands, 61/6 per week.

Wheelwrights, 1/4½ per hour.

No. 57.—Rates of Wages—*continued.**Coal Miners.*

The employees in the Coal-mines in New South Wales work under Agreements or Awards. The rate paid to miners varies according to the selling price of coal per ton ruling at the time, also according to the conditions of the seams or places where the coal is mined.

Coal-mines, Northern District—

Miners, $3\frac{5}{5}$ to $5\frac{2}{10}$ per ton.
,, coal-cutting machines, $13\frac{1}{11}$ to $15\frac{6}{6}$ per day
,, Assistants, $10\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
Deputies, $16\frac{1}{10}$ to $16\frac{6}{6}$ per day.
Shot-firers, $15\frac{1}{10}$ to $15\frac{6}{6}$ per day.
Waste-examiners, $15\frac{1}{10}$ to $15\frac{6}{6}$ per day.
Engine-drivers—
Winding and loco. engines, $14\frac{1}{5}$ per day.
Other engines, $12\frac{1}{10}$ to $14\frac{1}{5}$ per day.
Shiftmen, $10\frac{1}{11}$ to $15\frac{6}{6}$ per day.
Wheelers, $10\frac{6}{6}$ to $11\frac{8}{8}$ per day.
Flatters, $10\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
Water-bailers, $10\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
Hand-pumpers, $10\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
Set riders, $10\frac{1}{11}$ and $11\frac{5}{5}$ per day.
Rolleyway men, $10\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
Roadlayers, $11\frac{4}{4}$ to $13\frac{2}{2}$ per day.
Waggon packers, $10\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
Banksmen, $12\frac{7}{7}$ per day.
Shunters, $10\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
Screenmen, $10\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
Labourers, $10\frac{1}{11}$ to $11\frac{5}{5}$ per day.
Boys and Youths, $4\frac{4}{4}$ to $10\frac{8}{8}$ per day.

Coal-mines, Southern District—

Miners, $2\frac{9}{5}$ per ton.
Overmen (underground), £5 to £6 10s. per week.
Deputy Overmen, £4 17s. 6d. per week.
Shot-firers, $15\frac{1}{10}$ per day.
Shiftmen, $14\frac{1}{1}$ per day.
Onsetters, $12\frac{6}{6}$ per day.
Banksmen, $12\frac{1}{2}\frac{1}{4}$ per day.
Screenmen, $10\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
Mechanics, $12\frac{7}{7}$ to $15\frac{4}{4}$ per day.
Engineers, $12\frac{6}{6}$ to $16\frac{8}{8}$ per day.
Engine-drivers—Winding, $14\frac{1}{5}$ per day.
,, Haulage, $13\frac{2}{2}$ per day.
Stokers and firemen, $10\frac{1}{11}$ to $12\frac{1}{10}$ per day.
Locomotive engine-drivers, $14\frac{1}{5}$ per day.
,, stokers, $12\frac{1}{10}$ per day.
Platelayers, $10\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
Furnaceman, $10\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
Harness-makers, $11\frac{6}{6}$ per day.
Wheelers, $12\frac{1}{10}$ per day.
Water-bailers, $12\frac{1}{10}$ per day.
Stablemen, $10\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
Labourers, $10\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
Flatters, $12\frac{1}{10}$ per day.
Trappers, $4\frac{4}{4}$ per day.
Boys, $5\frac{4}{4}$ per day.

Interstate and Intercolonial Steamers (per month).

Officers, chief, £15 to £26; 2nd, £13 to £23;
3rd, £14 to £20.
Firemen, £13.
Trimmers, £11.

Engineers, chief, £25/6- to £39/2/-; 2nd, £20/2/6
to £25/6/-; 3rd, £17/16/6 to £20/14/-
Able Seamen, £11.
,, „ (sailing ships), £8 to £12.

Coastal (New South Wales) Steamers (per month).

Officers, Chief, £17 to £23; 2nd, £15 to £19.
Engineers, £18 to £34/10/-
Firemen, £13 to £14/1/8.
Donkeymen, £10 to £11.

Able Seamen and Trimmers, £11 to £12/5/-
(sailing ship), £7.
Cooks, £9 to £14/15/-
Stewards (Chief), £13 to £14/15/-

Farm and Station Hands (with rations and lodging), per week or per year.

Boundary Riders, $35\frac{1}{1}$ to $42\frac{1}{1}$ -
Bullock Drivers, $25\frac{1}{1}$ to $35\frac{1}{1}$ -
Bush Carpenters, $35\frac{1}{1}$ to $48\frac{1}{1}$ -
Cooks (station), $35\frac{1}{1}$ to $48\frac{1}{1}$ -
Country Blacksmiths—
Station, $35\frac{1}{1}$ -
General (without rations), $50\frac{1}{1}$ to $60\frac{1}{1}$ -
Milkers, $36\frac{6}{6}$.
Farm Labourers, $30\frac{1}{1}$ to $40\frac{1}{1}$ -
Harvest Hands, accdg. to experience, $7\frac{1}{1}$ to $12\frac{1}{1}$ -
per day.

Horse-team Drivers, $25\frac{1}{1}$ to $30\frac{1}{1}$ -
Married Couples—
When wife cooks, £110 to £150.
Rouseabouts, $20\frac{1}{1}$ to $30\frac{1}{1}$ -
Orchard Hands, $20\frac{1}{1}$ to $30\frac{1}{1}$ -
Shearers (per 100 sheep), no rations, $30\frac{1}{1}$ -
Stockmen, $30\frac{1}{1}$ to $48\frac{1}{1}$ -
Useful Boys, $15\frac{1}{1}$ to $20\frac{1}{1}$ (age 15 to 18).
Vignerons, £52 to £55.

Domestic Servants (with board and lodging), per week.

Cooks (Females)—
Station, $35\frac{1}{1}$ to $48\frac{1}{1}$ -
Private house, $25\frac{1}{1}$ to $63\frac{1}{1}$ -
Boarding-house, $25\frac{1}{1}$ to $63\frac{1}{1}$ -
Cook and Laundress, $20\frac{1}{1}$ to $35\frac{1}{1}$ -
House and Parlour Maid, $20\frac{1}{1}$ to $30\frac{1}{1}$ -

General Servants (aged 18 years and upwards),
 $20\frac{1}{1}$ to $30\frac{1}{1}$ -
Nursemmaids (aged 15 to 20 years), $20\frac{1}{1}$ to $25\frac{1}{1}$ -
Useful Girls (aged 15 to 18 years), $8\frac{1}{1}$ to $15\frac{1}{1}$ -
Gardeners, $25\frac{1}{1}$ to $48\frac{1}{1}$ -
Grooms and Coachmen, $25\frac{1}{1}$ to $48\frac{1}{1}$ -

No. 58.—Meteorology.

District.	August, 1918.					August— (Mean, 1908-1917).			Mean annual— All previous years.	
	Temperature.			Rain- fall.	Number of days Rain.	Mean Temper- ature.	Rain- fall.	Number of days Rain.	Temper- ature.	Rain- fall.
	Mean.	Mean Max.	Mean Min.							
North Coast—	deg. (Fahr.)	deg. (Fahr.)	deg. (Fahr.)	inches.		deg. (Fahr.)	inches.		deg. (Fahr.)	inches.
Grafton	60.2	72.8	47.7	1.03	10	58.7	1.33	6	67.5	34.38
Hunter and Manning—										
Singleton... ...	...	...	...	1.62	7	52.7	1.30	7	64.1	29.11
Cumberland—										
Sydney	57.2	65.5	48.8	2.51	18	55.5	2.97	12	63.0	48.12
South Coast—										
Bega	51.6	66.1	37.2	0.71	8	50.3	1.00	4	60.5	32.92
Northern Tableland—										
Armidale	46.5	56.0	37.0	2.47	12	45.6	1.75	8	56.3	31.92
Central Tableland—										
Bathurst... ...	47.6	58.3	36.9	3.81	14	46.0	1.75	8	57.2	23.75
Southern Tableland—										
Goulburn	46.9	55.2	38.6	2.19	16	45.5	1.75	8	56.1	24.96
North-western Slope—										
Gunnedah	51.6	63.8	39.5	3.50	9	52.5	1.67	6	65.4	24.42
Central-western Slope—										
Dubbo	51.5	61.9	41.1	2.81	13	51.0	1.58	7	63.5	22.37
South-western Slope—										
Wagga	52.0	60.3	43.8	3.52	18	49.5	1.93	9	62.1	21.35
North-western Plain—										
Moree	56.3	67.6	45.1	3.65	11	55.4	1.49	5	67.3	23.46
Central-western Plain—										
Coonamble	54.9	65.7	44.2	2.41	11	52.9	1.35	5	65.9	19.60
Riverina—										
Deniliquin	52.2	61.3	43.1	2.37	11	50.6	1.37	8	61.7	16.08

No. 59.—New Buildings erected in Metropolis—Annual.

Year.	Returns of Board of Water Supply and Sewerage.		Municipal Returns.			
	Buildings erected and assessed.	Cost of Buildings, including additions to old Buildings.	Buildings for which permission to build was granted.	Estimated Cost of New Buildings.	Estimated Cost of Alterations and Additions.	Total Cost, Buildings, Alterations, and Additions.
1912	7,773	5,067,000	8,339	4,988,000	636,000	5,624,000
1913	7,853	5,919,000	9,342	6,512,000	815,000	7,327,000
1914	8,831	6,162,000	8,548	5,236,000	586,000	5,822,000
1915	6,141	4,664,000	6,066	3,850,000	548,000	4,398,000
1916	5,043	4,037,000	5,051	3,395,000	519,000	3,914,000
1917	4,331	3,184,000	4,811	3,150,000	341,000	3,491,000
1918 (six months)	1,956	1,556,000	2,471	1,730,000	203,000	1,933,000

No. 60.—New Buildings—Metropolis—Monthly.

Month.	1918.			1917.		
	City.	Suburbs.		City.	Suburbs.	
		No.	No.	Value.	No.	No.
January	7	377	229,700	3	366	195,596
February	6	360	230,199	13	398	212,773
March	4	449	280,501	12	520	297,607
April	7	359	213,974	4	427	269,157
May	6	476	318,857	11	444	316,103
June	7	413	266,709	8	467	295,682
July	7	464	309,585	9	490	303,557
August	4	443	333,026	5	346	245,066
Total (eight months) ...	48	3,341	2,182,551	65	3,458	2,135,541

No. 61.—New Buildings—Metropolis.

NUMBER and Value of New Buildings and of Alterations and Additions in each Municipality during the eight months, January to August.

Municipality.	Estimated Population 31st December 1917.	New Buildings (to erect which permission granted)				Alterations and Additions.			
		1918.		1917.		1918.		1917.	
		No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.
City of Sydney	106,000	48	£ x	65	£ x	357	£ x	322	£ x
Alexandria	11,450	17	31,004	13	9,240	22	2,560	42	2,955
Annandale	12,480	16	7,325	9	3,835	17	3,270	6	155
Ashfield	28,440	176	114,476	205	138,543	130	8,063	96	4,520
Balmain	33,380	11	6,660	22	16,340	27	1,134	52	2,179
Bexley	11,100	104	54,060	114	54,450	22	2,975	29	1,305
Botany	5,750	12	24,520	25	11,310	47	7,673	46	4,677
Burwood	12,990	109	69,966	73	52,370	62	12,036	55	2,817
Canterbury	26,580	355	167,580	324	140,790	130	8,869	126	8,318
Concord	6,820	142	84,416	97	61,142	70	11,995	85	4,690
Darlington	3,840	Nil.	...	Nil.	...	3	325	3	70
Drummoyne	13,990	103	66,385	116	69,400	29	2,575	21	1,162
Eastwood	1,480	11	6,425	14	5,670	Nil.	...	1	130
Enfield	5,980	50	30,986	81	35,431	41	1,390	31	739
Erskineville	7,670	1	150	3	1,350	6	505	9	455
Glebe	22,710	9	868	22	11,350	7	1,196	19	1,680
Homebush	1,120	10	5,375	27	13,035	8	188	4	430
Hunter's Hill	5,890	24	13,400	25	15,452	16	1,280	14	1,615
Hurstville	10,920	90	37,953	102	46,021	52	4,141	53	2,365
Kogarah	13,050	139	73,812	151	61,416	65	4,692	65	3,977
Lane Cove	5,160	52	32,534	53	31,071	30	15,744	32	2,545
Leichhardt	27,980	61	31,866	67	27,600	76	6,206	66	3,188
Manly	14,110	60	70,421	61	60,110	Nil.	...	Nil.	...
Marrickville	37,810	84	52,880	81	47,715	47	3,085	51	4,801
Mascot	8,920	21	20,055	29	11,935	30	2,076	63	2,804
Mosman	17,260	79	74,750	72	57,450	42	10,700	24	2,830
Newtown	27,890	8	4,892	13	7,790	39	5,593	31	4,486
North Sydney	41,330	107	95,963	99	91,029	120	22,717	109	12,019
Paddington	25,880	8	5,350	5	9,523	16	2,154	19	2,284
Petersham	23,980	51	27,515	36	23,865	30	3,587	42	3,039
Randwick	34,200	396	260,622	401	271,211	108	14,405	105	15,925
Redfern	25,020	1	550	4	1,500	21	2,540	21	3,460
Rockdale	20,440	122	57,811	152	71,782	87	2,441	81	1,906
Ryde	9,870	117	64,735	123	58,158	19	4,172	33	1,908
St. Peters	10,730	18	8,320	24	10,725	17	995	19	627
Strathfield	5,760	31	20,355	48	27,755	33	4,791	44	4,870
Vaucluse	2,640	30	31,932	27	26,007	20	1,701	21	2,164
Waterloo	11,220	27	52,227	14	73,195	19	2,215	19	1,649
Waverley	28,390	196	116,892	247	125,864	58	11,150	42	7,464
Willoughby	21,550	209	132,920	200	115,960	35	2,907	49	3,023
Woollahra	20,700	127	123,700	129	115,006	102	27,020	90	15,180
Ku-ring-gai Shire	14,820	157	100,900	150	123,145	127	10,802	127	7,850
Total Suburbs	671,300	3,341	2,182,551	3,458	2,135,541	1,830	231,868	1,845	148,261
Total City of Sydney	106,000	48	x	65	x	357	x	322	x
Grand Total	777,300	3,389	x	3,523	x	2,187	x	2,167	x

x Information is not available.

During the month of August, 1918, the number of new buildings erected was 447, viz., 4 in the City and 443 in the Suburbs. The largest numbers were:—Randwick, 53; Willoughby, 48; Canterbury, 40; Woolahra, 24; and Waverley, 20.

No. 62.—Crown Lands Selections, 1918.

The following statements show—(first) the Land Selected and (second) the Area made available for Residential Settlement during the month of August, 1918, and during the period from 1st January to 31st August, 1918:—

LANDS SELECTED UNDER THE CROWN LANDS ACT AND CLOSER SETTLEMENT ACTS.

Description of Holding.	During August, 1918.		1st January to 31st August, 1918.	
	No. of Applicants.	Area (acres).	No. of Applicants.	Area (acres).
ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.				
Original Conditional Purchases	11	1,998	96	14,916
Conditional Leases applied for simultaneously with and in virtue of these O.C. Purchases	(5)	2,090	(27)	6,675
Crown Leases—ordinary	23	19,277	208	242,510
for returned soldiers	4	3,980	16	51,602
Homestead Farms—ordinary	13	14,221	59	40,964
for returned soldiers	23	22,933	86	137,015
Suburban Holdings—ordinary	25	707	113	2,953
for returned soldiers	...	...	...	...
Settlement Purchases (Closer Settlement Acts)	3	2,543	5	2,554
Irrigation Farms	...	...	8	422
Town Blocks (without residence) within an Irrigation Area	...	...	9	3
Week-end Leases	1	12	10	94
Leases of Town Lands	...	...	1	2
Special Holdings for returned soldiers	14	1,862	45	3,431
Homestead Selections	1	100	2	121
Special Conditional Purchase Lease	...	...	1	320
Total	115	69,679	665	303,582

ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS

		ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.		
Additional Conditional Purchases (Crown Lands) ..	..	30	5,643	173
" for returned soldiers ..	..	..	..	3
Conditional Leases not applied for simultaneously with O.C. Purchases ..	38	13,418	149	44,850
Additional Homestead Selections ..	2	469	11	8,878
" " for returned soldiers ..	1	412	1	412
" Settlement Leases ..	..	..	..	2
" Crown Leases ..	..	2	232	17
" " for returned soldiers ..	..	1	17	17
" Homestead Farms ..	..	8	6,600	25
" " for returned soldiers ..	..	..	..	5
" Suburban Holdings ..	..	2	62	5
" " for returned soldiers ..	..	2	8	10
Total ..	..	86	26,861	492
				124,025

AREAS SPECIALLY SET APART FOR RESIDENTIAL SETTLEMENT

Description of Holding.	During Aug 1st, 1918.			1st January to 31st August, 1918.	
	No. of Blocks.	Area (acres).	No. of Blocks.	Area (acres).	
ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.					
Crown Leases—ordinary	15	28,916	188	254,581	
" for returned soldiers	4	4,111	28	66,917	
Homestead Farms—ordinary	12	10,187	71	38,374	
" for returned soldiers	31	30,505	121	190,510	
Suburban Holdings—ordinary	9	478	107	4,525	
" for returned soldiers .. .. .. .. .. ..	..	..	..	..
Special Holdings for returned soldiers	21	2,348	148	8,403	
Settlement Purchases (Closer Settlement Acts)	5	1,513	6	1,523	
" for returned soldiers .. .. .. .. .. ..	..	..	4	1,908	
Irrigation Farms .. .. .. .. .. ..	..	..	..	..
Leases of Town Lands .. .. .. .. .. ..	..	..	..	..
Week-end Leases .. .. .. .. .. ..	..	..	2	24	
Original Homestead Selection .. .. .. .. .. ..	..	..	1	100	
Original Conditional Purchase	1	40	5	235	
Original Conditional Purchase and Conditional Lease in virtue thereof .. .. .. .. .. ..	..	..	5	694	
" " soldiers	1	85	1	85	
Total	90	78,183	687	520,870	

ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS

ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.						
Every Class of Additional Holdings	48	21,975	318	174,108		
Additional Conditional Purchase	3	176	12	1,537		
Conditional Purchase and Conditional Lease	7	1,844	26	13,950		
" soldiers "" for returned	...	...	3	508		
Homestead Selections .....	...	...	10	5,280		
" Settlement Lease "" for returned soldiers	1	104	2	516		
Suburban Holdings	2	...	2	3,670		
" Crown Leases "" for returned soldiers	...	45	11	290		
" Homestead Farms" for returned soldiers	...	...	13	47		
" " for returned soldiers	2	...	6	9,076		
Total	65	26,017	439	234,758		

No. 63.—Latest Proclamations as to Prices of Commodities in N.S.W. fixed by order of the Minister of Defence under the Commonwealth War Precautions (Prices) Regulations, 1916.

Commodity.	Date of latest Proclamation.	District Covered.	Unit.	Maximum Price Allowed to be Charged.
Flour (wholesale)†	7-9-18	Cos. Cumberland & Northumberland.	Ton ...	150 lb. bag, £11; 100 lb. bag, £11 10s.; 50 lb. bag, £11 15s.; 25 lb. bag, £12 10s.
" (retail) ...	"	" ...	Bag ...	150 lb., 18s. 10d.; 100 lb., 13s. 2d.; 50 lb., 7s. 0d.; 25 lb., 3s. 9d.; 1 lb., 1s. 1d.
" (wholesale) ...	"	Remainder of State	Ton ...	From £10 15s. to £12 5s. { According to locality, 18s. 10d. to 13d. } and size of bag.
" (retail) ...	"	N.S.W. ...	Bag ...	Above prices, plus 8d., 6d., 4d., 2d.
Bread†	18-7-18	Cos. Cumberland & Northumberland.	bag, booked. 2-lb. loaf	3s. 1d. over counter, cash within week; 4d. delivered, cash within week.
" ...	"	Remainder of State	" ...	Prices according to locality, up to 4d. and 4s. (See also 12-9-18 and 24-9-18.)
Confectionery ...	15-8-17	N.S.W. ...	lb. "	Booked, above prices plus 4d.
Biscuits ...	10-6-18	Co. Cumberland ...	.....	Same as on 10-8-17.
Oatmeal, made in N.S.W. (wholesale)	17-5-18	Remainder of State	cwt. ...	Tins and packages, 20% on cost to retailer. Loose, purchase price plus 25%.
" (retail) ...	"	Sydney ...	.....	Above prices, plus transport.
Wheatmeal (wholesale)	5-2-18	Cos. Cumberland & Northumberland.	lb. ...	Plain, 1lb. 3d.; 7 lb. bag, 2s. 3d.
" (retail) ...	"	Other places ...	cwt. ...	14s. to 16s. 6d., according to size of bags or sacks. Various brands excepted.
Semolina (wholesale)	5-2-18	Cos. Cumberland & Northumberland.	Package ...	6d. to 24s. 7d., according to size.
" (retail) ...	"	Other places ...	cwt. ...	Above prices, plus carriage.
" (at Mill) ...	15-2-18	All areas ...	.....	15s. 8d. to 18s. 2d., according to size of bags.
Butter (wholesale)†	7-10-18	Sydney ...	cwt. ...	In 1 lb. tins, £1 15s.
" (retail) ...	"	Other places ...	lb. ...	7d. to 27s. 6d.; in 1 lb. tins, 4s. 1d.
Cheese (wholesale)†	11-5-18	Sydney ...	lb. (new) ...	Above prices, plus carriage.
" (retail) ...	"	" ...	.....	£1 per ton above the price of flour.
" ...	"	At factory ...	.....	6d. to 24s. 7d., according to size.
Bacon and Ham	.....	Other places ...	.....	Above prices, plus carriage.
Milk (retail)†	11-5-18	Co. Cumberland ...	.....	Proclamation repealed, 27-8-18.
" (for re-sale) ...	"	Newcastle ...	.....	Quart, 6d.
Cream ...	29-5-15	Co. Cumberland ...	Gallon ...	Quart, 5s. 3d.
Cream (Nestle's) ...	16-4-18	Sydney ...	Tin (4 oz.) ...	1s. 8d. sold by vendors for re-sale.
Tobacco, made in Australia.	1-10-18	N.S.W. ...	.....	1s. 7d. sold by vendors for re-sale.
" " "	13-7-18	" ...	Under 1 lb. ...	For other purposes than butter-making, or consumption in N.S.W. The butter value, less 3d. per lb., and less cost of carriage to nearest factory.
" " "	"	" ...	lb. and over ...	Wholesale, 33s. 6d. per dozen; retail 10d. Other sizes in proportion.
" " "	"	" ...	Under 1 lb. ...	Prices below, plus extra duty imposed on 25-9-18.
" " "	"	" ...	lb. and over ...	Imported and Australian leaf or imported leaf only, price on 1-3-18, plus 1d. per oz. for Aromatic and/or Light, and 1d. per oz. for Dark.
Condensed Milk "	4-8-16	Sydney and Newcastle.	Tin (large) ...	Price on 1-3-18, plus 1s. 1d. and 6d. per lb. Australian leaf only, price on 1-3-18, plus 1d. per oz.
" " "	"	Remainder of State	Tin ...	plus 6d. per lb.
" " ("Milkmaid")	"	Sydney and Newcastle.	.....	From 7d. to 9d., according to brand.
Sugar I.A. (wholesale)	19-1-16	Metropolitan ...	Ton ...	Above prices, plus actual carriage.
" (retail) ...	"	Remainder of State	lb. ...	Coffee and Milk, 1s. 9d.; Chocolate and Milk, 1s. 6d.; Cocoa and Milk, 1s. 3d.
Jam, N.S.W. (wholesale)	24-6-18	Metropolitan ...	lb. ...	Above prices, plus actual carriage.
" (bulk) ...	"	Remainder of State	doz. tins ...	£29 5s.
" (retail) ...	"	N.S.W. ...	lb. ...	£29 5s., plus actual freight.
Infants' and Invalids' Foods (imported)	9-6-17	Sydney ...	Tin ...	3s. 1d., plus actual freight.
Plum Pudding† (wholesale)	23-10-16	Remainder of State	lb. ...	13 to 15 oz. tins, 4s. 9d. to 8s.
" (retail) ...	"	Cos. Cumberland & Northumberland.	lb. ...	4s. to 5s. 1d.
Rice (wholesale) ...	25-4-18	Rest of State ...	Ton ...	5s. 1d. to 9s. 1d.
" (retail) ...	"	Sydney ...	lb. ...	Above prices plus carriage.
" ...	"	Remainder of State	.....	Wholesale, landed cost, plus 10 per cent. retail, wholesale prices, plus 20 per cent.

No. 63.—Latest Proclamations as to Prices of Commodities in N.S.W.—continued.

Commodity.	Date of latest Proclamation.	District Covered.	Unit.	Maximum Price Allowed to be Charged.
Rabbits, cleaned but unskinned (see note)	17-3-17	Sydney	Pair, over 4 lb.	1s. 6d. at shop or cart. 1s. id. in markets.
" " "	"	"	Pair, 3 lb. to 4 lb.	1s. 4d. at shop or cart. 1s. id. in markets.
Bunnies (frozen)	25-10-17	"	Doz. prs. ...	17s. 6d. cleaned, unskinned. Over 4 lb. pair. 1s. id. : pair, 1s. id. retail.
Caustic Soda	22-8-18	"	Each... ...	Documents or on commission, 2½%; from stocks 10% on landed cost.
Baking Powder, free from ammonia, phosphates, and sulphates	12-11-17	Sydney and New castle,	Ounce, net ...	Wholesale, in containers 8 oz. or less, 1s. id.; larger sizes, 1s. 6d. Retail, above prices, plus 20 per cent.
Other kinds	"	"	Doz. tins ...	Wholesale, from 7s. to 16s. 8d., various sizes. Retail, above price, plus 20 per cent.
All kinds	"	Remainder of State N.S.W.	"	Above prices, plus actual carriage.
Bran† (wholesale)	15-10-17	"	Ton ...	Cash, £4; booked, £4 2s. 6d.
(retail) ...	19-11-17	"	Bushel ...	Millers' prices, plus 1s. id. to 3d.
Pollard† (wholesale)	15-10-17	"	Ton ...	Cash, £5 10s.; booked, £5 12s. 6d.
(retail) ...	19-11-17	"	Bushel ...	Millers' prices, plus 1s. id. to 3d.
Chaff, Lucerne	10-3-16	Co. Cumberland ...	Ton ...	On rail, £7 10s.; ex store, £8 1s.; elsewhere, £7 10s.*
"	"	Newcastle district...	" ...	On rail, £7 11s.; ex store, £7 16s. 6d.; elsewhere, £7 11s.*
"	"	Remainder of State	" ...	On rail, £6 10s.; ex store, £7; elsewhere, £6 10s.*
Hay, Lucerne	"	Co. Cumberland ...	" ...	On wharf, £6 4s., plus freight.
"	"	"	" ...	At railway ex truck, £6 17s. 6d.
"	"	"	" ...	Ex store on dray, £7 8s., plus carriage.
"	"	Newcastle district...	" ...	Other places, £6 17s. 6d.*
"	"	Remainder of State	" ...	Ex store on dray, £7 3s. 6d.; elsewhere, £7 3s. 6d.*
"	"	"	" ...	On farm in stack, £5; in bales, £5 12s. 6d.
"	"	"	" ...	On rail or steamer, £5 17s. 6d.
Chaff and Hay (retail)	"	N.S.W.	Under 1 ton	Ex store on dray, £6 7s. 6d., plus carriage.
Oil—				Elsewhere, £5 17s. 6d.*
Kerosene—				Wholesale prices, plus 10 per cent.
Companies' price	1-8-18	Sydney & Newcastle	8½ gal.	15s. 6d.
Distributors'	"	"	Tin, 4½ gal.	16s. 8d., 2½ per cent. disc., 30 days.
Retail	"	"	"	9s. 6d.; quart, 7d., excluding container.
Benzine (wholesale)	10-6-18	Remainder of State	8 gal.	Above prices, plus transport.
" (retail)	"	Sydney	8 "	23s. 8d.
" (less than 1 gallon)	16-9-18	Remainder of State	"	25s. 1d.; per tin of 4 gals., 13s.; under 4 gals., 3s. 4d.
Cocoa (retail)	25-5-17	Sydney	Pkts. ...	Above prices, plus transport.
" "	"	"	½ lb. tin	½ gal., 2s.; ¼ gal., 1s. id.; pint, 7d.; ½-pint, 4d., plus actual cost of containers.
" (Van Houten's)	27-2-18	Remainder of State	"	Above prices, plus cost of transport.
" (Bensdorp's, R.D.)	24-5-18	Remainder of State	½ lb. tin ...	From 6d. to 1s. 2d. } Other sizes in proportion.
" "	"	Remainder of State	½ lb. tin ...	From 9d. to 1s. 2d. } Other sizes in proportion.
Tin Plates	6-12-16	N.S.W.	Box, 20" x 14"	Above prices, plus transport.
Glaxo and Lactogen	16-9-18	Sydney	Doz. tins ...	Wholesale 10%, retail 20%, on landed cost.
" "	"	"	less than doz.	Above prices, plus cost of transport.
Hides (best salted)	2-5-18	Remainder of State	lb. ...	Wholesale 10%, retail 20%, on landed cost.
(dry) ...	"	N.S.W.	"	Above prices, plus cost of transport.
Sulphate of Ammonia	24-1-18	Remainder of State	Ton ...	Wholesale, 17s. 9d. doz.; retail, 1s. 3d. tin.
Salt (Australian)	12-7-18	Sydney	Ton or less ...	Above prices, plus cost of transport.
" "	"	"	"	24s. 2d. doz.; retail, 2s. 5d. tin.
" (imported)	"	Remainder of State	"	Above prices, plus cost of transport.
Paper Bags	21-6-18	N.S.W.	"	Wholesale 10%, retail 20%, on landed cost.
Shellac	24-6-18	Remainder of State	"	Above prices, plus cost of transport.
Strawboards	22-8-18	Sydney	"	Retail, 20 per cent. on purchase price.
Paperboards	"	"	"	Above prices, plus transport.
Paper Box-board	"	Remainder of State	"	Same as on 17-6-18.
Boards, as above	"	Sydney	"	" 17-6-18.
Arsenic (to wholesalers)	24-6-18	Remainder of State	Ton ...	Unlined, 8 oz. to 16 oz., £16 10s. Others pro rata.
" (to others)	"	"	"	Unlined, 8 oz. to 12 oz., £20. Others pro rata.
" "	"	"	"	Folding, 10 oz. to 12 oz., £26.
Cream of Tartar and/or Tartaric Acid	24-9-18	Elsewhere	"	Above prices, plus cost of transport.
White Lead	3-4-18	Remainder of State	Ton (in 1 cwt. containers)	Containers over cwt., £60; cwt. and less, £63.
		N.S.W.		Packages under 56 lb., above prices, plus 20 per cent.
				Above prices, plus transport.
				Wholesale 10%, retail 20% on cost.
				Above prices, plus cost of transport.
				Importer's, £82; Wholesale, £88; Retail, £1 1s. per cwt. 1s. per lb.

No. 61.—Latest Proclamations as to Prices of Commodities in N.S.W.—continued.

Commodity.	Date of latest Proclamation.	District Covered.	Unit.	Maximum Price Allowed to be Charged.
Cases and Tins (Oil), 2nd-hand, to collector	20-8-18	N.S.W. ...	Each	Case and 2 tins, 1s. ; case, 6d. ; tin, 3d.
Collector to Depot...	"	" ...	"	" 1s. 4d. ; " 8d. ; " 4d.
Depot to any person	"	" ...	"	" 1s. 6d., 9d., 4d.
Scrap Tin ...	5-10-17	" ...	Ton	£30, at seller's door.
Soda Ash ...	15-7-18	Sydney ...	.....	Over 1 cwt., 10 % ; under 1 cwt., 20 % on landed cost.
Bicarbonate of Soda...	3-4-18	Elsewhere ...	.....	Above prices, plus transport.
" " (retail)	"	" ...	.....	Importer to wholesaler 2½ %, to retailer 10 % on landed cost.
Broken Glass ...	3-4-18	N.S.W. ...	Ton	Wholesaler to retailer, 10 % on cost.
Matches—wooden, Australian (retail)	7-10-18	Sydney	.....	20 % on cost to retailer.
Linseed Oil (Australian).	12-9-18	Other places N.S.W. ...	Gal. (raw) ...	Plate and window, £1 10s. ; other, £2.
" "	"	" ...	.....	Manufacturers' price, 12½ % on cost ; wholesalers', 10 % on cost
" "	"	" ...	.....	25 % on cost.
" (imported)	"	Sydney	.....	Above prices, plus cost of transport.
" "	"	" ...	.....	To wholesaler, in casks or cases, 9s. ; in drums, 10s, including containers.
Branbags and Corn-sacks (2nd-hand).	15-7-18	Sydney	Doz. ...	To retailer, actual price paid, plus 12½ %.
Branbags (new)	28-8-18	Remainder of State	.....	Retail, actual price paid, plus 20 %.
Cornsacks (standard)...	19-7-18	Port of importation	.....	Above prices, plus 2d. per gal.
Vinegar (wholesale) made in N.S.W.	4-7-18	Elsewhere ...	.....	Wholesale, 12½ % on landed cost.
" " "	"	Co. Cumberland	Gal. ...	Retail, 20 % on purchase price.
" " "	"	" ...	.....	Above prices, plus transport.
" (retail)	"	" ...	.....	Wholesale, 8s 6d. ; retail 9s.
Olive Oil ...	22-5-18	N.S.W. "	.....	Above prices, plus transport.
Knitting Wool and Hosiery Yarns.	17-9-18	Sydney	.....	Wholesale—Light, 11s. ; heavy, 12s.
" "	"	" ...	.....	Retail—Light, 11s. 6d. ; heavy, 12s. 6d.
Holbrook's Sauce ...	1-8-18	Remainder of State	Small bottle.	Above prices, plus cost of transport.
Meat ...	23-9-18	N.S.W. ...	.....	Wholesale 10s. 1d., retail 10s. 6d. Free on rail or boat.
Gas ...	22-2-17	Manly	1,000 cub. ft.	Above prices, plus transport from port.
" "	10-8-17	Sydney and North Sydney.	" "	Pints, loose, 3s. 9d. ; in case, 4s. 3d. ; other sizes pro rata.
				Reputed quarts, loose, 2s. 9d. ; in cases, 3s. 3d. ; other sizes pro rata.
				In containers, 10 gal. 6d. ; less than 10 gal., 7½ d.
				4½ d. to 5d. ; in customers' container, 3½ d. qt.
				Same as on 18th May, 1918.
				Wholesale, 12½ % on landed cost.
				Retail, 22½ % on purchase price.
				Above prices, plus transport.
				Wholesale (doz.), 8s. 9d. 12s. 6d., 24s. 6d.
				Retail (bott.), 10½ d. 1s. 3d., 2s. 6d.
				Above prices, plus cost of transport.
				As per Schedule.
				Fixed by New South Wales Government at 4s. 8d. Companies undertake not to charge more than 4s. 5d.

* Less carriage to nearest rail.

† Since 6th July, 1916, the Minister of Defence has fixed the prices of commodities under the War Precautions (Prices) Regulations, 1916. Up to the present he has made orders in respect of Bread, Flour, Bran, Pollard, Soap, Butter, Milk, Plum Puddings, Cheese, Bacon, Hams, Glaxo, Lactogen, Rabbits, Oil, Cream, Cocos, Infants and Invalids' Food, Biscuits, Confectionery, Hides, Sulphate of Ammonia, Galvanized Iron, White Lead, second-hand Oil Cases and Tins, Semolina, Wheatmeal, Soda Ash, Tin, Salt, Bicarbonate of Iron, Broken Glass, Glass Bottles, Canned Fruit, Caustic Soda, Tobacco, Matches, Rice, Oatmeal, Bags (2nd hand), Linseed Oil, Olive Oil, Vinegar, Jam, Knitting Wool, Hosiery Yarns, Cornsacks (new), Branbags (new), Paper Bags, Shellac, Arsenic, Meat, Holbrook's Sauce, Strawboards, Paperboards, and Boxboards, Spirits, etc., Ale and Beer, Cream of Tartar, Tartaric 4½ d. The prices of all other commodities in the above table remain as fixed by the N.S.W. Necessary Commodities Control Commission, the Minister having adopted those prices when the Commonwealth Government assumed the control of prices under the War Precautions Act. The price of Tallow was fixed at £30 a ton on 5th March, 1917, as from 12th idem, but the proclamation was annulled on 8th idem.

Dates of other Commonwealth proclamations—

Bread—8-7-16, 10-7-16, 11-8-16, 17-10-16, 25-10-16, 11-1-17, 5-3-17, 5-4-17, 26-4-17, 17-5-17, 30-6-17, 6-12-17. Flour, Bran, and Pollard—6-7-16, 22-7-16, 7-8-16, 9-8-16, 27-9-16, 15-2-17, 17-5-17, 22-5-17. Flour only—19-11-17, 5-2-18, 26-8-18. Butter—21-9-16, 23-10-16, 6-6-17, 7-9-17, 17-9-17, 11-10-17, 25-10-17, 22-5-18, 31-5-18, 18-7-18. Milk—27-9-16, 25-10-16, 31-5-17, 19-10-17. Plum Puddings—27-9-16. Cheese—5-10-16, 25-10-16, 28-5-17, 12-6-17, 6-12-17, 18-1-18. Soap—31-8-16, 12-12-16, 9-2-17, annulled 5-4-17 and 9-9-18. Rice—10-1-16, 9-6-17. Oil—17-7-16, 10-5-17, 22-8-17, 19-1-18. (Benzine), 19-1-18, 23-8-18. (Kerosene only), 26-3-18. Hides—16-8-17, 15-10-17. Galvanized Iron—8-8-17, 25-8-17, repeated 30-10-17. Cases—16-10-17, 25-1C-17, 31-10-17, 3-4-18. White Lead—10-10-17, 12-11-17. Baking Powder—17-7-16. Sulphate of Ammonia—17-9-17, 3-12-17. Bacon and Hams—23-10-16, 25-2-18, 17-5-18, 15-8-18, 27-8-18. Wheatmeal—12-11-17. Semolina—19-11-17. Gas—22-2-17. Bicarbonate of Soda—12-12-18. Cream (Nestle's)—8-6-17. Broken Glass—8-2-18. Biscuits—15-8-17, 11-5-18. Matches—7-5-18, 13-6-18. Branbags and Cornsacks (2nd hand)—4-6-18. Linseed Oil—10-6-18, 15-7-18. Soda Ash—31-10-17. Salt—21-12-17. Tobacco—16-4-18, 13-7-18. Vinegar—31-5-18. Cocoa (Bensdorp's)—5-2-18. Jam—23-5-18. Branbags (new)—4-8-18. Caustic Soda—3-4-18. Strawboards and Paperboards—1-8-18. Ale, Beer, etc.—25-9-18 (repeated 27-9-18). Spirits, etc.—25-9-18 (repeated 2-10-18). Meat—26-7-18, 8-8-18, 8-10-18. Glaxo—15-2-17. Lactogen, 15-2-17. Knitting Wool—17-7-18. Hosiery Yarns—17-7-18.

Note.—On the outbreak of the Railways and Tramway strike in August, 1917, the N.S.W. Commission met, after thirteen months' inactivity, and declared the maximum prices of all foodstuffs to be those ruling on 1st August, 1917. As the strike extended, prices were gazetted for the following commodities:—Meat, 17-8-17; Salt, 31-8-17 and 12-10-17; Rabbits, Meat, and Coal, 5-9-17; Methylated Spirits, 9-8-17, 26-9-17, 12-10-17; Cheese, 26-9-17. The proclamation regarding Meat was annulled on 26-10-17, and those of other commodities on 14-11-17.

No. 64.—Comparative Summary—New South Wales, 1861-1916-17.

	1861.	1871.	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1916-17.
Area, 309,460 square miles.							
Population.							
31st December ... persons	357,978	517,758	782,080	1,162,190	1,375,199	1,698,736	1,857,920
Births ... No.	14,981	20,143	28,993	39,458	37,875	47,677	52,467
Deaths ... No.	41,561	39,64	37,90	34,55	27,71	28,64	...
Marriages ... No.	5,343	6,407	11,530	10,286	16,021	17,179	17,969
Marriages ... rate	15 ¹²	12 ⁶¹	15 ⁰⁸	14 ²⁶	11 ⁷²	10 ³²	...
Marriages ... No.	3,222	3,953	6,284	8,457	10,538	15,267	13,261
Marriages ... rate	9 ¹²	7 ⁷⁸	8 ²¹	7 ⁴¹	7 ⁷¹	9 ¹⁷	...
Agriculture.							
Total area under crop... acres	295,917	393,413	583,868	846,383	2,276,528	3,629,170	5,163,030
Wheat—Area ...	123,468	154,930	221,887	356,666	1,392,070	2,380,710	3,805,604
Yield... bshl.	1,606,034	2,229,642	3,405,966	9,963,668	14,808,705	25,088,102	35,508,000
Average ...	"	13 ⁰	14 ⁵	15 ⁴	11 ¹	10 ⁶	10 ⁵
Maize—Area ... acres	57,959	119,956	117,478	174,577	157,333	167,781	155,378
Yield... bshl.	1,727,434	4,015,973	4,330,956	5,721,706	3,844,993	4,507,342	4,333,480
Average ...	"	29 ⁸	33 ⁵	36 ⁹	32 ⁸	22 ⁹	27 ⁹
Hay—Area ... acres	45,175	51,805	146,610	163,663	442,163	654,149	858,532
Yield ... tons	57,363	77,460	198,532	209,417	472,621	728,474	1,174,050
Average ...	"	1 ²⁷	1 ⁵⁰	1 ³⁰	1 ²⁸	1 ⁰⁷	1 ³⁷
Total value of all Agricultural production £	* 2,220,000	4,216,000	3,615,000	7,060,000	9,749,000	11,488,000	
Total value per acre under crop ... £	* 5/11/9	7/4/5	4/5/5	3/2/0	2/13/9	2/4/6	
Pastoral, Dairying, &c.							
Sheep ... No.	5,615,054	16,278,697	36,591,946	61,831,416	41,857,099	44,947,287	36,195,383
Cattle ... "	2,271,923	2,014,888	2,597,348	2,128,838	2,047,454	3,194,230	2,795,943
Horses ... "	233,220	304,100	398,577	469,647	486,716	689,004	733,791
Pigs ...	140,091	213,193	213,916	253,189	265,730	371,093	359,763
Production of Wool ... lb.	19,254,800	74,401,300	161,076,000	375,000,000	310,075,000	371,540,000	270,525,000
Value (f.o.b., Sydney) £	1,488,000	4,760,000	7,187,200	*	11,059,300	9,072,100	13,264,000
Production of Butter... lb.	*	*	*	18,362,897	39,050,878	83,204,568	79,304,471
" Cheese...	*	*	*	5,500,071	3,838,835	5,400,652	7,830,239
" Bacon & Ham "	*	*	*	6,009,600	11,080,891	10,102,827	15,788,150
Total value of Pastoral and Dairying Production £	* 8,709,000	13,151,000	17,460,000	15,598,000	24,649,000	34,320,000	
Mineral Production.							
Gold ... oz. fine	423,209	294,390	135,033	131,654	173,543	181,121	108,145
"	£ 1,800,177	1,250,485	573,582	559,231	737,104	769,353	459,370
Silver ... oz	...	...	...	729,590	448,501	1,767,460	2,801,507
"	£	...	...	134,850	50,484	177,095	349,807
Silver-lead & ore, &c. ...ton	...	...	...	147,780	417,078	3,38,409	249,849
Copper—ingots & ore, &c. ...ton	*	*	*	3,484,739	1,803,079	2,265,669	2,935,624
"	£	3,532	11,828	267,84	2,710	6,733	12,100
Tin—ingots and ore ...ton	...	*	*	119,195	412,292	590,102	586,127
"	£	...	*	6,433	1,057	659	1,929
Zinc—Spelter, Concentrates ton	(2) 12,227	568,795	133,993	76,544	307,089	306,497	
Coal ... ton	...	...	...	219	632	516,378	209,741
"	£	342,068	898,785	1,769,597	4,037,929	5,068,426	1,414,980
"	£	218,821	316,340	603,243	1,742,796	2,178,929	3,167,105
Total value of all Mineral Production ... £	* 2,029,000	1,626,000	2,138,000	6,434,000	5,681,000	9,410,000	12,364,000
Production from Minor Primary Industries (including Forests and Fisheries).							
Production all Primary Industries £	* 400,000	650,000	758,000	733,000	3,250,000	4,677,000	
" " per head £	* 12,955,000	20,155,000	28,267,000	29,072,000	47,958,000	63,049,000	
" " per head £ 25/9/10	25/6/11	24/15/1	21/5/4	28/5/5	33/16/8		
Land Settlement.							
Alienated holdings—							
1,000 acres and under ... No.	*	*	36,259	46,566	64,950	81,722	84,504
" area	*	*	6,628,310	8,827,066	10,673,503	13,669,311	14,551,520
1,000 to 10,000 acres ... No.	*	*	2,646	4,397	5,160	7,803	8,951
" area	*	*	6,990,312	11,370,329	13,305,738	19,551,728	22,452,199
Over 10,000 acres ... No.	*	*	449	677	719	708	722
" area	*	*	14,073,587	21,848,299	22,638,524	20,185,845	19,284,960
Manufactures.							
Number of Factories ...	601	1,813	2,961	3,056	3,367	5,039	5,356
Hands employed ... males	*	*	28,819	43,203	54,556	82,123	88,910
" females	*	*	2,372	7,676	11,974	26,541	29,087
Salaries and Wages paid ... £	*	*	*	4,272,704	4,945,079	10,051,161	14,381,409
Value of Machinery and Plant £	*	*	*	4,386,475	5,860,725	12,510,600	20,364,122
Total value of Output ... £	*	*	*	10,807,132	25,648,471	54,346,011	85,944,320
Value of Production (value added to raw materials) ... £	*	*	2,424,000	5,025,000	9,742,000	19,143,000	26,743,000
" per head £ 4/15/5	6/11/4	6/10/7	7/21/6	7/21/6	11'10/-	14/7/1	
Shipping.							
Inwards, Vessels ... No.	1,327	1,891	2,254	2,602	2,760	3,127	3,945
" tons	366,235	706,019	1,456,239	2,752,157	4,133,200	6,822,135	6,552,235
Outwards, Vessels ... No.	1,396	2,123	2,103	2,654	2,953	3,146	3,062
" tons	379,462	794,460	1,330,261	2,801,320	4,274,101	6,833,782	6,574,582

* Not available.

(2) Year 1872. (3) Value of Forests and Fisheries only. Other minor industries (poultry, bees, &c.) are included in Pastoral and Dairying.

No. 64.—Comparative Summary—New South Wales, 1861–1916–17—contd.

	1861.	1871.	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1916–17.
Trade.							
Imports, Overseas ...	£ 4,547,813	5,481,655	11,829,007	15,127,641	17,560,207	27,343,428	33,379,698
per head £ 12/17/6	10/15/9	15/9/3	13/4/11	12/10/11	16/8/7	17/17/3	
Exports, Overseas ...	£ 3,090,748	5,452,840	9,753,644	14,620,886	18,210,027	32,161,401	40,975,416
per head £ 10/8/11	10/14/7	12/15/0	12/16/0	13/6/5	19/6/5	21/18/6	
Interstate Transfers, Inwards	£ 2,056,256	4,453,412	5,758,005	10,255,750	9,368,011	*	*
Outwards £ 2,918,713	5,808,379	6,554,161	11,323,131	9,140,497	*	*	
Produce of New South Wales, exported Overseas. (1)							
Wool (greasy and scoured)	lb. 12,745,891	38,323,302	81,906,922	235,470,988	217,285,747	295,315,438	254,633,558
£ 1,396,426	2,292,522	4,107,715	7,070,460	7,420,119	11,704,409	13,022,570	
Wheat and Flour	bus. 28,025	8,445	21,099	54,947	5,204,892	14,324,845	11,733,022
£ 9,570	2,414	5,337	11,083	680,719	2,519,354	3,386,676	
Butter ...	lb. (2) 53,088	(2) 1,153,040	402,421	401,690	8,699,817	33,044,324	4,305,927
£ 2,536	27,415	11,992	17,750	379,341	1,518,993	259,834	
Frozen Mutton	lb. ...	...	*	*	39,360,792	59,948,989	26,443,085
£ ...	...	*	*	382,385	682,027	543,753	
Other Meats...	£ 11,536	130,999	191,774	104,013	381,768	607,002	435,716
Tallow	£ 58,393	245,352	244,271	292,072	362,631	871,018	227,317
Leather	£ 6,810	83,899	130,417	15,774	347,327	323,517	538,401
Skins and Hides	£ 77,127	36,115	130,277	376,95	431,232	1,145,138	1,307,114
Minerals and Ores (exclusive of Gold)	£ 65,372	248,996	1,214,085	1,302,076	1,893,314	4,072,531	7,561,045
Timber, undressed...	£ 2,221	3,990	12,930	44,437	76,124	243,811	142,990
Public Finance. (3)							
Net Revenue proper	£ 1,421,831	2,215,846	6,551,134	9,773,332	11,007,356	15,797,136	20,537,835
per head £ 4/0/6	4/7/2	8/11/3	8/11/2	7/10/11	9/6/0	11/0/5	
" Expenditure proper	£ 1,529,788	2,660,948	5,625,749	10,215,820	11,008,173	16,137,279	20,806,633
" per head £ 4/6/7	5/4/11	7/7/1	8/18/11	8/0/0	9/10/0	11/3/4	
Loan Expenditure	£ 409,121	488,727	2,397,368	4,750,167	4,939,241	5,491,103	6,852,179
" per head £ 1/3/2	19/3	3/2/8	4/3/2	3/11/9	3/4/8	3/13/8	
Banks.							
Deposits	£ 5,029,692	7,043,886	20,308,017	35,659,690	33,258,456	57,140,156	80,515,452
Advances	£ 5,764,059	7,668,022	20,935,596	45,068,914	35,068,787	46,916,008	63,031,127
Assets	£ 8,809,829	11,592,076	27,870,483	53,590,259	43,437,559	64,881,499	91,084,505
Liabilities	£ 6,292,170	8,016,832	22,394,316	37,585,704	35,977,832	58,349,554	86,249,398
Savings Banks.							
Depositors	No. 13,282	24,379	72,384	158,426	306,311	544,023	872,351
Deposits	£ 65,409	945,915	2,698,701	5,342,135	11,808,710	25,361,338	40,836,747
Average per depositor	£ 46/6/8	38/16/0	37/5/8	33/14 5	38/11/0	46/12/4	46/16/3
per head of population £ 1/14/5	1/16/6	3/9/0	4/11/11	8/11/7	14/18/7	21/17/4	
Railways. (4)							
Length of Line open	... miles 74	359	996	2,197	3,026	3,832	4,437
Capital cost	£ 1,536,032	5,887,258	13,301,597	33,312,608	40,565,073	53,514,903	72,000,621
Passengers carried...	No. 595,591	759,002	6,907,312	19,018,016	30,885,214	70,706,728	96,709,546
Net Earnings	£ 1,3817	158,257	705,892	1,193,044	1,401,317	2,321,882	2,464,725
Net return on capital invested	per cent. '90	2·69	5·31	3·58	3·48	4·41	3·50
Tramways. (4)							
Length of Line open	... miles ...	...	9½	48	104	195½	224
Capital cost	... £ ...	...	169,450	1,099,659	2,829,363	5,664,324	8,309,629
Passengers carried...	... No. ...	...	7,090,125	71,477,948	108,135,111	266,789,546	295,303,714
Net Earnings	... £ ...	...	10,442	50,799	89,773	249,980	317,172
Net return on capital invested	per cent. ...	...	6·16	5·28	3·17	4·63	3·85
Postal.							
Number of Offices...	... 340	570	1,128	1,728	2,208	2,490	2,588
Letters and Post Cards dealt with...	No. 4,369,463	7,509,500	26,534,160	68,987,300	82,783,467	189,656,401	259,185,729
per head £ 12/37	14·77	34·68	60·41	60·50	113·94	139·90	
Newspapers dealt with ... No. 3,384,245	3,902,100	16,527,900	42,517,300	52,317,650	71,619,194	68,546,782	
" per head 9·58	7·86	21·60	37·23	36·27	43·03	36·78	
Telegraphs.							
Number of Stations ...	... 36	89	318	674	978	1,406	2,231
Length of wire (5) ... miles.	1,981	5,579	14,278	24,780	46,153	31,123	37,236
Telegrams ... No. 74,204	218,530	1,607,206	4,046,251	3,449,315	5,863,560	7,152,913	
Money Orders.							
Issued in New South Wales £ ...	293,370	771,978	1,577,744	1,637,488	2,819,183	4,527,557	
Paid " £ ...	271,842	675,025	1,518,987	1,669,730	2,949,264	4,389,944	
Public Schools.							
Schools at close of the year No. 179	659	1,406	2,461	2,818	3,125	3,188	
Teachers ... No. ...	810	2,199	4,438	5,212	6,517	7,830	
Scholars on roll (6) ... No. 11,660	39,070	144,119	206,438	210,588	221,810	264,713	
Average attendance ... No. ...	*	*	122,528	154,404	160,776	200,695	
Expenditure by the State on Education, etc. ... £ 76,911	151,225	687,422	1,002,379	918,819	1,390,146	1,860,518	

* Not available.

(1) The exports in 1916–17 include articles produced in other States of Australia. Since 1st January, 1912, the Federal Customs Department has classified all goods produced in the Commonwealth simply as "Australian," without distinguishing, as formerly, the particular State where they were produced. (2) Includes cheese.

(3) For 1861 Gross Revenue and Expenditure are shown. Particulars for 1901 and 1911 are for the year ended 30th June following. Transfers to Public Works Fund and Closers Settlement Fund are excluded in 1911 and 14–15.

(4) Subsequent to 1881 the particulars are for the year ended 30th June following. (5) 1891 and 1901 include telephone wire; 1911 is exclusive of mileage of wire erected for railways. (6) 1901 and following years are for the December quarter.

No. 65.—New South Wales Wheat Areas, 1918.

The collection of particulars relating to the area sown with wheat during the current season has been unavoidably delayed, but sufficient data have been received to enable a fair estimate to be made.

Owing mainly to the dryness during the ploughing and sowing seasons, and, in a smaller degree, to the difficulties arising out of the disposal of the crop, it was anticipated earlier in the year that the wheat area would be less by 20 to 25 per cent. than the area sown last season. Also there was a considerable amount of uneasiness amongst the wheat growers as to the price which would be received for this season's wheat. The compilation shows that the decrease, although considerable, is not so large as expected, but it amounts to 626,100 acres, or about 16½ per cent. Possibly the announcement that the Government intended to guarantee 4s. per bushel to farmers over the weighbridge at local railway stations, allayed the fears of the farmers and induced a number of them to crop more heavily than they intended.

The area under wheat has been restricted throughout the whole of the wheat districts, the decrease ranging from 40 per cent. in the Southern Tableland division (where the area is not large) to 14 per cent. in Riverina, and 5 per cent. in the division of the Central Plain, where the areas involved are 1,102,840 acres and 532,960 acres respectively. In the northern portion of the State the decrease in area amounts to 102,950 acres, or 26 per cent., but in the central and southern districts, where the rainfall was more opportune, the decreases, although greater in the aggregate, are proportionately much smaller. In the central districts, the decrease amounts to 180,320 acres, or 13·6 per cent., and in the southern districts to 334,760 acres, or 16 per cent.

The decrease in wheat area is due, not only to the cultivation of smaller areas on the various holdings, but also to the fact that, whereas in 1917 wheat was grown on about 19,000 holdings, the area sown for the current season has been confined to 17,000 holdings, a decrease of 2,000 holdings, which, it is presumed, are now devoted solely to pastoral pursuits.

The winter rainfall was very deficient, especially in the northern and north-western portions of the State, and pastoralists and agriculturists alike passed through a very anxious period. The droughty conditions were not broken absolutely until August, during which month the rainfall experienced over the greater portion of the State was above the average, and was very beneficial, associated as it was with mild to warm temperatures. The subsequent dry weather has caused much anxiety to wheatgrowers, and the outlook for the approaching harvest is unfavourable. Rain is needed urgently to save a large proportion of the crops, especially those intended for grain; and, probably, a larger area will be cut for hay and for greenfood. The absence of rainfall during October appears to preclude the possibility of satisfactory yields of either grain or hay.

As in the previous year, the unsettled state of the wheat market, and the difficulty in selling the crop on account of the war, contributed materially to the reduction in area, whilst in a large number of instances the comparatively higher prices ruling for wool and stock generally induced farmers to abandon wheatgrowing temporarily in favour of pastoral pursuits.

The following table gives a summary of the areas in each of the important divisions in comparison with the actual returns for the previous year :—

Divisions.	Actual Areas, 1917-18.			Estimated Areas, 1818-19.		
	For Grain.	For Hay.	Total.*	For Grain.	For Hay.	Total.
Coastal Division	... 9,620	... 2,770	... 13,090	... 5,470	... 2,650	... 8,120
Tableland—						
Northern	... 3,550	... 3,120	... 7,760	... 2,730	... 2,300	... 5,030
Central	... 68,520	... 32,840	... 103,660	... 55,770	... 24,950	... 80,720
Southern	... 8,940	... 4,130	... 13,550	... 6,600	... 1,540	... 8,140
Total	... 81,010	... 40,090	... 124,970	... 65,100	... 28,790	... 93,890
Western Slope—						
North	... 330,960	... 26,520	... 370,580	... 243,110	... 30,870	... 273,980
Central	... 552,470	... 92,230	... 655,000	... 452,190	... 72,840	... 525,030
South	... 717,090	... 74,790	... 795,490	... 579,220	... 61,210	... 640,430
Total	... 1,600,520	... 193,540	... 1,821,670	... 1,274,520	... 164,920	... 1,439,440
Central Plains and Riverina—						
North Central Plain	... 12,800	... 3,190	... 16,490	... 8,820	... 4,050	... 12,870
Central Plain	... 503,270	... 54,050	... 559,770	... 468,520	... 64,440	... 532,960
Riverina	... 1,146,870	... 124,060	... 1,271,130	... 988,060	... 114,780	... 1,102,840
Total	... 1,662,940	... 181,300	... 1,853,390	... 1,465,400	... 183,270	... 1,648,670
Western Division	... 2,710	... 5,600	... 8,380	... 1,380	... 3,900	... 5,280
Total, New South Wales	3,356,800†	423,300†	3,821,500	2,811,870	383,530	3,195,400

* 41,400 acres were fed-off, the details for each division being included in the total column. † Inclusive of areas which failed entirely, viz., 124,100 acres for grain and 1,600 acres for hay.

On the basis of the returns received, it appears that the area for hay will be about 383,530 acres, or nearly 12 per cent. of the total area sown with wheat.

It is estimated that 2,811,870 acres will be reserved for grain. Owing to the continuance of the dry weather, it is probable that this area will be reduced considerably, as it is feared that a much larger area than anticipated will be cut for hay or be fed-off, etc. Even the area for grain as shown in the above table is considerably below the grain area of each of the three previous seasons, and is only 54,000 acres in excess of the area harvested for grain in the drought season of 1914-15.

Viewing the situation from the standpoint of total areas under wheat cultivation as shown in the final column below, it is apparent that the cultivation is less than in any of the previous five seasons.

The wheat crops generally suffered from the absence of moisture in the early stages, and up to August gave little indication of yielding a payable crop, except in the Southern districts.

The subjoined table shows the progress made in wheat cultivation since 1907-8 :—

Season.	Area under Wheat—			
	For Grain.	For Hay.	Fed-off.	Total.
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
1907-08	1,390,171	365,925	129,813	1,885,909
1908-09	1,394,056	490,828	104,202	1,989,086
1909-10	1,990,180	380,784	5,825	2,376,789
1910-11	2,128,826	422,972	61,458	2,613,250
1911-12	2,380,710	440,243	80,731	2,901,684
1912-13	2,231,514	704,221	31,557	2,967,292
1913-14	3,205,397	534,226	23,393	3,763,016
1914-15	2,758,024	569,431	815,561	4,143,016
1915-16	4,188,865	879,678	53,702	5,122,245
1916-17	3,806,604	633,605	58,101	4,510,192
*1917-18	3,356,800	423,300	41,400	3,821,500
†1918-19	2,811,870	383,530	.....	3,195,400

The following information also has been prepared relating to the Wheat Areas during 1918, and the table shows the number of holdings on which wheat has been cultivated, and the areas of new and fallowed land sown, in the various divisions of the State:—

Division.	Holdings on which Wheat has been Cultivated.	Area of Crops on—			Total Area Sown with Wheat.
		New Land.	Fallowed Land.	Old Land (Stubble.)	
	No.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
Coastal	322	390	1,230	6,500	8,120
Tableland—					
Northern	189	160	430	4,440	5,030
Central	1,514	3,930	15,780	61,010	80,720
Southern	464	120	920	7,100	8,140
Total	2,167	4,210	17,130	72,550	93,890
Western Slope—					
North	2,434	6,360	19,960	247,660	273,980
Central	3,024	19,690	107,150	398,190	525,030
South	2,783	16,090	212,240	412,100	640,430
Total	8,241	42,140	339,350	1,057,950	1,439,440
Central Plains and Riverina—					
North-Central Plain	203	970	740	11,160	12,870
Central Plain	1,741	30,570	100,150	402,240	532,960
Riverina	4,224	49,390	472,990	580,460	1,102,840
Total	6,173	80,930	573,880	993,860	1,648,670
Western Division	121	620	1,090	3,570	5,280
Total, New South Wales	17,024	128,290	932,680	2,134,430	3,195,400

The area of new land cultivated is less than in any of the five preceding seasons, but the area of fallowed land compares favorably with that of previous years, as will be seen from the following statement:—

Year.	New Land.	Fallowed Land.
	acres.	acres.
1918	128,290	932,680
1917	251,686	831,027
1916	323,560	845,969
1915	554,614	993,999
1914	412,081	947,673
1913	569,750	983,330

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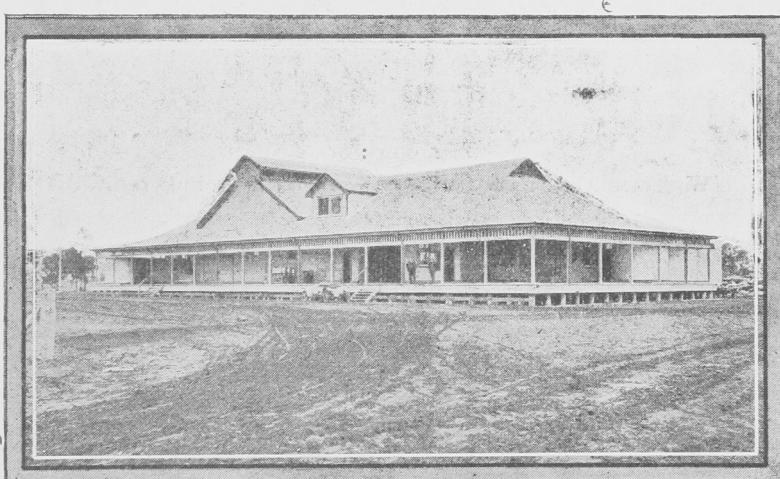
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